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TURN TO FORMER STYLE

ems Now to Be Deereed That  
the Bang Shall Be Restored  
to Favor.

ough much protest was made  
inter about the reappearance of  
"bang" across the forehead it  
is to be rather firmly entrenched

majority of women will wear it  
winter. In large measure it will  
come. It will compel women  
from their foreheads that low-  
ing mass of hair now the fashion  
substitute it with a tiny, wavy

absurd to cut the hair to make  
bang. One can buy it by the  
in any hair shop and attach it  
one's own hair by an invisible

should be extra careful not to  
thick or straight.

poodle bang, once so fashion-  
able in the '80s of the nineteenth cen-  
tury promises to return. It has  
done so in Paris, but there  
the wavy fringe, only accom-  
panied by the flattened pompadour.

of these have been introduced

softness to a forehead from  
the hair has been lifted.

Collar Lining.  
densed collar lining which can  
be worn under a number of transpar-  
ent coats is the boned foundation of  
with a ruching attached to  
top. The bottoms and tops are  
soft tape. To get the best  
the bottom tape is lightly bast-  
the base of collar with which it  
be worn.

NEW BLOUSE DESIGN.

## What Will Please a Lady or Young Lady

Can Best be Answered at This Store

**Y**OU cannot find a better place to get Just the Right Thing. Our stock is full of attractions to buyers who appreciate superior and really desirable Holiday Goods of the useful, and lasting pleasure kind.



### EVERY LADY OR YOUNG LADY WHO NEEDS A SUIT OR COAT

could not receive a more appropriate gift, nor could you find a better time for you to buy one.

### Tailored Suits and Ladies' Misses' and Children's Coats

All Reduced In Price

Such an announcement should be interesting to any one who has one of the above to buy. For few of us there are, with Christmas so near, who do not have a double use for every dollar. Broken lots and an unfavorable season force these reductions so soon.

If you're worried what to give the following list will help

Furs, Shirt Waists, House Slippers, a Dress,

A Waist Pattern, Plain or Fancy Hose, Art Squares,

Rugs, Lace or Portiere Curtains, a Silk Dress, a Waist,

A Dress Skirt, Kid Gloves, Scarfs, Mufflers, Shoes,

Novelty Hat Pins, Beauty Pins, Belt Pins, Back Combs,

Barrettes, Hair Pins, Hair Turbans, Belts,

Sweater Coats, Christmas Umbrellas, Hats,

Fancy Collars, Fancy Pillows, Table Linen,

Towels, Shawls, Uppers, Trimmings, etc.

And a multitude of similar articles that must be seen to be appreciated. If you want the good quality, the right article and the reasonable prices, come here first.

# Smith & Amberg

The present session of Congress is what is known as the "long session." There is no constitutional limitation to its duration. It may expire in May or it may extend into the summer. Speaker Cannon, who has a

good deal to say about running the lawmaking mill, is throwing out hints of a prolonged session. He furnishes no reason for this belief in particular, beyond the fact that his long experience has taught him that the

talk of adjournment of a long session usually fails to pan out. As against the speaker's prophecy there is the desire of many members to hasten home and repair their political fences for the fall campaign so that it is a

case of "paying your money and taking your choice."

If its in the grocery line, we have it.—C. H. Moore. Phone No. 4.

### The Optimist's Corner Daily Helps to Health and Happiness

By GEORGE F. BUTLER, A.M., M.D.

Life is good; filled to the brim with much that is really worth while. And the hunt is in us, and the hope and the faith, so let us lift our heads and with our purpose clearly defined let us out and for it. To be unhappy is to make unhappiness; to be sad is to engender sorrow; to complain of poor health is to breed disease; to whine is to disgust. So, even though the rainbow ends in a pot of junk, let us smile and try again. There would be no such thing as success if all succeeded; no joy, if all were joyful. These are comparative conditions, and are for us only in such measure as we may be able to take them in. And if we fail and fail again, we may know the reason if we will. We are inclined to blame others for it; to elicit sympathy by talking of conditions and environments, but deep down in our hearts we know that our own lack of strength, to cope with these conditions and environments has brought the Black One to us, and that these rocks and pitfalls in the roadway are but chapters in the lesson of life. If things go wrong with you, cut envy from your heart. If you see your neighbors doing as you would like to do, speed them on. It marks you down and puts you deeper in the hole to nurse a wrath against them.

The ground has been broken in front of the court house for the Obion county Confederate monument. This monument is to be erected to the memory of the Confederate soldiers of Obion County, living and dead, that part of the territory known as Obion county before the boundaries of Lake County were changed.

—o—  
A. S. Barkett, of West Hickman, pays the highest market price for all kinds of furs.

—o—  
A trade was made last week whereby the transfer of the Preston Printing Co. job plant was made to the Hurt Printing Co. This is the same plant owned for many years by the Cartan Printing Co., and is one of the best in the smaller towns of the state.—Union City Commercial.

—o—  
The average head of the house is not worrying particularly over what he will get Christmas. It is the thought of what is coming to him after Christmas that is giving him that anxious look.

—o—  
Night riders burned the barn of Ed Judy at Beaver Baptist church in Harrison county, with 5,000 pounds of tobacco, and cut all telephone wires in that section of the county. Several shots were fired. Judy was an independent grower.

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TARPINE for coughs and colds—25c per bottle.—Helm & Ellison.

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For the purpose of impressing upon the 330 census supervisors, President Taft's desire for a nonpolitical, accurate and economical census, the director has arranged for a series of conferences with them.

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The United States gold mines produced \$94,560,000 worth of the precious metal this year, an increase of a million and a quarter over last year. Colorado leads with California and Alaska second and third.

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The living expenses of the people have reached a point of inflated values that cannot last. There will be more actual distress among the poor this winter than ever before.

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HEALTH AND VITALITY.  
Mott's Nervine Pills

The great nerve and brain treatment for men and women, produces strength and vitality, builds up the system and renews the normal vigor. For sale by druggists or by mail, \$1 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.—Hickman Drug Co., Incorporated.

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Remember A. S. Barkett buys all kinds of furs.

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Buy your coal now.—Hickman Ice & Coal Co.

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ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR  
CASH IN ADVANCE.

Entered at the Hickman, Kentucky,  
postoffice as second-class mail matter.

## HELPS DEEPWATEWAYS

PRESIDENT TALKS TO RIVERS  
AND HARBORS CONGRESS.

Chief Executive Announces Himself  
Warm Supporter of Inland  
Improvements.

Washington—Speaking in strong endorsement of the policy of waterway improvement, President Taft stirred up much enthusiasm during the opening hours of the sixth convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress here Wednesday.

Hundreds of delegates, representing every section of the United States, filled the great banquet hall of the New Willard, where they sat under their state banners. Men and women delegates arose when the arrival of the President was announced and gave their visitor a noisy reception, concluding the demonstration with three cheers and a tiger.

Upon being presented to the assemblage President Taft spoke at length, dwelling upon his interest in the policy of waterway improvement, and offered advice to the delegates upon methods for attaining the ends they seek.

"I congratulate this congress," said Mr. Taft, "on having brought the subject of waterways to such a point that the representatives in Congress from one end of the country to the other recognize it as a subject that calls for action. They have not come to a definite conclusion as to the policy that ought to be adopted, but they have come to the conclusion that some policy must be adopted with reference to the development of those instrumentalities which nature has furnished for the transportation of goods and for the controlling of railroad rates."

"A year ago President Roosevelt and I were together on a platform before the Conservation of Resources Convention, in which we both advocated the issuing of bonds in order that a project for improving waterways when begun should be completed in a reasonable time. I am still a consistent advocate of that theory."

"But I want to suggest a word of caution. You are going to encounter in Congress great opposition to the policy of issuing bonds right out of hand. You are much more likely to get from Congress a declaration of policy in the shape of a declaration that a certain improvement ought to be carried out and spread upon the minutes of Congress in the form of a resolution or a declaration in a statute. What I advise you to do is to get that declaration."

"Then when the time comes that political exigency shall prevent the appropriation of sufficient money from the current revenue to put the proper part of the project through the coming year or the coming two years as economy requires, then the question of issuing bonds will arise. I would get the declaration first, and not have the bonds first, for the reason that you will encounter the objection by Congress that the issuing of bonds and the receipt of the money will develop a desire to be extravagant."

## NATIONAL WEALTH GAUGES

Monetary Commission Issues Comprehensive Statement.

Washington—With total resources of \$450.19 per capita of population, the banking institutions of the Eastern and Middle Atlantic States lead the country. The New England States come next with \$433.60 per capita; the Pacific States are third with \$347.78; the Middle Western fourth with \$190.64; the far Western fifth with \$161.35; the Southern sixth with \$71.19, and the island possessions tail off with \$5.22 per capita. The United States as a whole shows banking resources per capita of \$237.24; with the island possessions included, the rate is lowered to \$215.35.

These comparisons form a feature of a remarkable report issued by the national monetary commission. West Virginia heads the Southern list with a per capita of \$112.66; Louisiana follows with \$96.61; then in order come Texas, \$90.67; Virginia, \$88.61; Kentucky, \$86.66; Florida, \$86.54; Tennessee, \$71.46; Georgia, \$64.23; South Carolina, \$52.84; North Carolina and Alabama, each \$45.41; Mississippi, \$45.33; Arkansas, \$41.14.

## RACE SUICIDE IS JUSTIFIED

Equal Guardianship Over Children or No Children.

Milwaukee, Wis.—"Race suicide is justified in all these States where women are not legally joint guardians of their own children."

"Men are still grabbing all the fat, salaried jobs, but we women must advance the economic condition of our sex."

"Women never worked for an immoral or an evil bill, or one with graft connected with it."

These were some of the statements of Mrs. Catharine Waugh McCullough, speaking before the girls of Downer college.

Mrs. McCulloch was doing a little missionary work for woman's suffrage. She is from Chicago—is a lawyer and justice of the peace there. Also she stands high in the councils of the Illinois Suffrage Association.

## PRESIDENT TAFT SENDS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Policy of the Administration Made Clear to the Country.

## FAVORS SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

Chief Executive Gives Reasons for Desiring the Passage of Such a Measure—Postal Savings Banks—Plea for Conservation of National Resources.

Washington.—The president transmitted the following message to congress:

### To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The relations of the United States with all foreign governments have continued upon the normal basis of amity and good understanding, and are very generally satisfactory.

### Latin America.

One of the happiest events in recent Pan-American diplomacy was the pacific, independent settlement by the governments of Bolivia and Peru of a boundary difference between them, which for some weeks threatened to cause war and even to entrap embitterments affecting other republics less directly concerned. From various quarters, directly or indirectly concerned, the intercession of the United States was sought to assist in a solution of the controversy. Desiring at all times to abstain from any undue mingling in the affairs of sister republics and having faith in the ability of the governments of Peru and Bolivia themselves to settle their differences in a manner satisfactory to themselves which, viewed with magnanimity, would assuage all embitterment, this government steadily abstained from being drawn into the controversy and was much gratified to find its confidence justified by events.

On the ninth of July next there will open at Buenos Aires the fourth Pan-American conference. This conference will have a special meaning to the hearts of all Americans, because around its date are clustered the anniversaries of the independence of so many American republics.

It is not necessary for me to remind the congress of the political, social and commercial importance of these gatherings. You are asked to make liberal appropriations for our participation. If this is granted, it is my purpose to appoint a distinguished and representative delegation, qualified fittingly to represent this country and to deal with the problems of intercontinental interest which will there be discussed.

The Argentine Republic will also hold from May to November, 1910, at Buenos Aires, a great international agricultural exhibition in which the United States has been invited to participate. Considering the rapid growth of the trade of the United States with the Argentine Republic and the cordial relations existing between the two nations, together with the fact that it provides an opportunity to show deference to a sister republic on the occasion of the celebration of its national independence, the proper departments of this government are taking steps to apprise the interests concerned of the opportunity afforded by this exhibition, in which appropriate participation by this country is so desirable. The designation of an official representative is also receiving consideration.

The Pan-American policy of this government has long been fixed in its principles and remains unchanged. With the changed circumstances of the United States and of the republics to the south of us, most of which have great natural resources, stable government and progressive ideals, the apprehension which gave rise to the Monroe doctrine may be said to have nearly disappeared and neither doctrine as it exists nor any other doctrine of American policy should be permitted to operate for the perpetuation of irresponsible government, the escape of just obligations or the insidious allegation of dominating ambitions on the part of the United States.

Beside the fundamental doctrines of our Pan-American policy there have grown up a realization of political interests, communities of institutions and ideals and a flourishing commerce. All these bonds will be greatly strengthened as time goes on and increased facilities, such as the great bank soon to be established in Latin-America, supply the means for building up the colossal intercontinental commerce of the future.

My meeting with President Diaz and the greeting exchanged on both American and Mexican soil served, I hope, to signalize the close and cordial relations which so well bind together this republic and the great republic immediately to the south, between which there is so vast a network of material interests.

I am happy to say that all but one of the cases which for so long vexed our relations with Venezuela have been settled within the past few months and that, under the enlightened regime now directing the government of Venezuela, provision has been made for arbitration of the remaining case before The Hague tribunal.

Since the Washington conventions of 1907 were communicated to the government of the United States as a consulting and advisory party, this government has been almost continuously called upon by one or another, and in turn by all of the five Central American republics, to exert itself for the maintenance of the conventions. Nearly every complaint has been against the Zelaya government of Nicaragua, which has kept Central America in constant tension and turmoil. The responses made to the representations of Central American republics, as due from the United States on account of its relation to the Washington conventions, have been at all times conservative and have avoided, so far as possible, any semblance of interference, although it is very apparent that the considerations of geographic proximity to the canal zone and of the very substantial American interests in Central America give to the United States a special position in the zone of these republics and the Caribbean sea.

I need not rehearse here the patient efforts of this government to promote peace and welfare among these republics, efforts which are fully appreciated by the majority of them, who are loyal to their true interests. It would be no less unnecessary to rehearse here the sad tale of unspeakable barbarities and oppression allowed to have been committed by the Zelaya government. Recently two Americans were put to death by order of President Zelaya himself. They were officers in the organized forces of a revolution which was in control of about half of the republic, and as such,

according to the modern enlightened practice of civilized nations, they were entitled to be dealt with as prisoners of war.

At the date when this message is printed this government has terminated diplomatic relations with the Zelaya government, for reasons made public in a communication to the former Nicaragua charge d'affaires, and is intending to take such future steps as may be found most consistent with its dignity, its duty to American interests and its moral obligations to Central America and to civilization.

### Department of State.

I earnestly recommend to the favorable consideration of the congress the estimates submitted by the department of state and most especially the legislation suggested in the secretary of state's letter of this date, whereby it will be possible to develop and make permanent the reorganization of the department upon modern lines in a manner to make it a thoroughly efficient instrument in the furtherance of our foreign trade and of American interests abroad. The plan to have divisions of Latin-American and Far-Eastern affairs and to institute a certain specialization in business with Europe and the near east will at once commend itself. These politico-geographical divisions and the detail from the diplomatic or consular service to the department of a number of men who bring to the study of complicated problems in different parts of the world practical knowledge recently gained on the spot, clearly is of the greatest advantage to the secretary of state in foreseeing conditions likely to arise and in conducting the great variety of correspondence and negotiation. It should be remembered that such facilities exist in the foreign offices of all the leading commercial nations and that to deny them to the secretary of state would be to place this government at a great disadvantage in the rivalry of commercial competition.

The consular service has been improved under the law of April 5, 1906, and the executive order of June 27, 1906, and I commend to your consideration the question of embodying in a statute the principles of the present executive order upon which the efficiency of our consular service is wholly dependent.

### Expenditures and Revenues.

Perhaps the most important question presented to this administration is that of economy in expenditures and sufficiency of revenue. The deficit of the last fiscal year, and the certain deficit of the current year, prompted congress to throw a greater responsibility on the executive and the secretary of the treasury than had heretofore been declared by statute. This declaration imposes upon the secretary of the treasury the duty of ascertaining all the estimates of the executive departments, bureaus and offices of the expenditures necessary in the ensuing fiscal year, and of making an estimate of the revenues of the government for the same period; and if a probable deficit is thus shown, it is made the duty of the president to recommend the method by which such deficit can be met.

The report of the secretary shows that the ordinary expenditures for the current fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, will exceed the estimated receipts by \$14,075,629. If to this deficit is added the sum to be disbursed for the Panama Canal, amounting to \$28,000,000, and \$1,000,000 to be paid on the public debt, the deficit of ordinary receipts and expenditures will be increased to a total deficit of \$72,075,629. This deficit the secretary proposes to meet by the proceeds of bonds issued to pay the cost of constructing the Panama Canal. I approve this proposal.

In order to avoid a deficit for the ensuing fiscal year, I directed the heads of departments in the preparation of their estimates to make them as low as possible consistent with imperative governmental necessity.

### Civil Pensions.

I am aware that there is a strong feeling in both houses of congress, and possibly in the country, against the establishment of civil pensions, and that this has naturally grown out of the heavy burden of military pensions, which it has always been the policy of our government to assume; but I am strongly convinced that no other practical solution of the difficulties presented by the superannuation of civil servants can be found than that of a system of civil pensions.

### Frauds in the Collection of Customs.

I regret to refer to the fact of the discovery of extensive frauds in the collection of the customs revenue at New York city, in which a number of the subordinate employees in the weighing and other departments were directly concerned, and in which the beneficiaries were the American Sugar Refining Company and others.

The figures given are startling, and show the payment by the government of an enormous subsidy to the newspapers, magazines and periodicals, which includes not only newspapers but magazines and miscellaneous periodicals.

The actual loss growing out of the transmission of this second-class mail matter at one cent a pound amounts to about \$2,000,000 a year. The average cost of the transportation of this matter is more than nine cents a pound.

It appears that the average distance over which newspapers are delivered to their customers is 29 miles, while the average haul of magazines is 1,049, and of miscellaneous periodicals 1,125 miles.

Thus, the average haul of the magazine is three and one-half times and that of the miscellaneous periodical nearly four times the haul of the daily newspaper, yet all of them pay the same postage rate of one cent a pound. The statistics of 1907 show that second-class mail matter constituted 63.91 per cent of the weight of all the mail, and yielded only 5.19 per cent of the revenue.

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NORTH KNOWING.

Remedy That Anyone Can Prepare at Home.

people are more or less subject to colds and coughs. A simple remedy that will break up a cold and cure any cough that is made by mixing two ounces of Virgin Oil, a half-ounce of Virgin Oil, one pound pure and eight pounds pure for dispensing.

Odd Mistake.



Slighted Old Gentleman—How little boy has grown! But you didn't let him go out without a hat.

In a London Omnibus. London bus driver was halled by a looking old gentleman, and first opportunity he remarked to conductor: "Yo you know who's inside, Bill?" "It's Cardinal" "Go on, that ain't Cardinamin'" said the conductor, "I am." They argued further, and bet a shilling over it. When fares the conductor determined to set matters right by direct

"Excuse me, sir, but are you all Mannin'?" The venerable looked him coldly and boldly eye, and answered: "What has got to do with you?" Conductor was satisfied, but even sacrifice of a bob he had to get with the passenger. Putting his foot of the door he called up to her: "You was right, Bill; it's all Mannin'."

Cross Christmas Stamps. Red Cross Christmas Stamps against tuberculosis promises to be broader in extent than ever. While last year less than million stamps were sold, the indications point to a sale of fifty million for this year. Red Cross Stamps are issued by American National Red Cross, and for one cent each. They are to be placed upon letters and cards during the holiday season. The money derived from the sale of stamps will be devoted to tuberculosis work in the localities in which the stamps are sold. In this it is expected that about \$400,000 will be realized for the campaign against tuberculosis in all parts of the States.

There All the Time.

told of Dr. Thorold that he was asked to give away the prizes at the London board.

the course of his opening address he asked the children, "Which is the largest island in the world before Australia was discovered?"

the youngsters gave it up, he in the same grave way, which them laugh all the more, "Why, of course; it was there all the time!"

A Decoy.

minister who had exchanged Rev. Mr. Talcom was scandalized. Deacon Snowball in the vestry, service, deliberately taking a 50-cent piece out of the contribution-box substituting a dime.

"Snowball," he exclaimed, in amazement, "that's plain

best doings!"

the man who finds a peculiar undertaking a difficult and dismally task, and in achieving it—

man Abbott.

RESULTS OF FOOD

and Natural Conditions Come From Right Feeding.

physically, should be like a self-regulated machine, each part easily in its appropriate place. Its derangement causes undue pain and wear, and frequently ruins entire system.

well-known educator of Boston

in the way to keep the brain and the

that harmonious co-operation makes a joy of living.

two years ago," she writes, "being condition of nervous exhaustion, I had my position as teacher, which held over 40 years. Since then entire rest has, of course, been a rest, but the use of Grape-Nuts has given one great cause of illness in constipation, and its constant evils.

generally make my entire break-

on a raw egg beaten into four

fuls of Grape-Nuts, with a little

milk or hot water added. I like

extremely, my food assimilates, and

bowsels take care of themselves. I

my brain power and physical con-

much greater and I know that

use of the Grape-Nuts has contrib-

largely to this result.

is with feelings of gratitude that

the means of aiding others in

search for health."

book in pkgs. for the little book, "The

to Wellville." "There's a Reason."

read the above letter? A new

appears from time to time. They

true, and full of human

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SYNOPSIS.

"Mad" Dan Maitland, on reaching his New York bachelor club, met an attractive young woman at the door. Janitor O'Hagan assured him no one had been within that day. Dan discovered a woman's finger prints in dust on his desk, telling where she came from his attorney. Maitland dined with Bannerman, his attorney. Dan set out for Greenfields, to get his family jewels. Maitland, on reaching home, surprised lady in gray, cracking the safe containing his gems. She apparently took him for a well-known crook. Dan Anisty. Half-hypnotized, Maitland opened the safe and took the jewels and gave them to her, first forming a partnership in crime. The real Dan Anisty, sought by police of the world, appeared. Maitland overcame him. He and the girl went to New York in her car and had the jewels. She was to meet him that day. "A. Snaith," introduced himself as a detective. To shield the girl in gray, Maitland, about to show him the jewels, supposedly lost, was felled by a blow from "Snaith's" fist. The latter proved to be Anisty himself and he recovered the gems. Anisty, who was Maitland's double, subsequently became the latter. The criminal kept Maitland's engagement with the girl in gray. He gave her the gems. The girl in gray visited Maitland's apartments during his absence and returned gems. Maitland, disguised as a woman's voice, extorting jewels from her, the location of the gems. A crash was heard at the front door. Maitland overwhelmed the crook, allowing him to escape to shield the young woman. The girl in gray made her escape jumping into a cab. An hour later, by working a ruse, Anisty was at her side. He took her to Attorney Bannerman's office. There, by torture, he tried to wring from her the location of the gems. He left her a moment and she was off, O'Hagan getting in the words: "Tell Mr. Maitland where the brass bowl," the hiding place in the latter's rooms, when Anisty heard her words. Bannerman also was revealed as a crook. He and Anisty set out to secure the gems and leave town. The girl was still imprisoned.

## CHAPTER XV. The Price.

Slowly Maitland returned to the study and replaced the lamp upon his desk; and stood briefly in silence, long fingers stroking his well-shaped chin; his face a little thin and worn-looking, a gleam of pain in his eyes. He sighed.

So she was gone!

He laughed a trice harshly. This surprise was nothing more than he might have discounted, of course; he had been a fool to expect anything else of her, he was enjoying only his just deserts both for having dared to believe that the good in human nature (particularly in woman's nature) would respond to decent treatment, and for having acted on that asinine theory.

So she was gone, without a word, without a sign!

He sat down at the desk, sideways, one arm extended along its edge, fingers drumming out a dreary little tune on the hard polished wood; and thought it all over from the beginning. Nor spared himself.

Why, after all, should it be otherwise? Why should she have stayed? Why should he compliment himself by believing that there was aught about him visible through the veneer acquired in a score and odd years of purposeless existence, to attract a young and pretty woman's heart?

He enumerated his qualities specifically; and condemned them all. Impractical, he was a conceited ass. A fascinating young criminal had but to toss her head at him to make him think that she was pleased with him; to make him forget that she was what she was and believe that, because he was willing to stoop, she was willing to climb. And he had betrayed himself so mercilessly! How she must have laughed in her sleeve all the time, while he pranced and bridled and preened himself under her eyes, blinded to his own idiocy by the flame of a sudden infatuation—how she must have laughed!

Undoubtedly she had laughed; and, measuring his depth—or his shallowness—had determined to use him to her ends. Why not? It had been her business, her professional duty, to make use of him in order to accomplish her plundering. And because she had not dared to ask him for the jewels when he left her in the morning, she had naturally returned in the evening to regain them, very confident, doubtless, that even if surprised a second time, she would get off scot-free. Unfortunately for her, this fellow Anisty had interfered. Maitland presumed cynically that he ought to be grateful to Anisty. The unaccountable scoundrel! Why had he returned?

How the girl had contrived to escape was, of course, more easy to understand. Maitland recalled that sudden clatter of hoofs in the street, and he had only to make a trip to the window to verify his suspicion that the cab was gone. She had simply overheard his concluding remarks to the cabby, and taken pardonable advantage of them. Maitland had footed the bill. She was welcome to the second-story man. So Maitland went to close and make it fast.

As he shut down the window-sash and clamped the catch he trod on something soft and yielding. Wondering, he stooped and picked it up, and carried it back to the light. It proved to be the girl's hand-bag.

"Now," admitted Maitland in a tone

of absolute candor, "I am damned

How in the dickens did this thing get there, anyway? What was she doing in my trunk closet?"

Was it possible that she had fol-

lowed Anisty out of the flat by that route? A very much mystified young



Maitland Woke Up. "What's That?" He Questioned Sharply.

been removed from their settings and stored away; but now they would never be reset, even should he contrive to reassemble them, to adorn the bride of the Maitland heir. For he would never marry. Of course not.

Maitland was young enough to believe, and extract a melancholy satisfaction from this.

Puzzled and saddened, his mind harked back forever to that carking question: Why had she returned? What had brought her back to the flat? If she and Anisty were confederates, as one was inclined at times to believe—if such were the case, Anisty had the jewels, and there was nothing else of any particular value so persistently to entice such expert and accomplished burglars back to his flat. What else had they required of him? His peace of mind was nothing that they could turn into cash; and they seemed to have reaved him of nothing else.

But they had that; unquestionably they had taken that.

And still the riddle haunted him: Why had she come back that night? And, whatever her reason, had she come in Anisty's company, or alone? One minute it seemed patent beyond dispute that the girl and the great plunderer were hand-in-glove; the next minute Maitland was positively assured that their recent meeting had been altogether an accident. From what he had heard over the telephone, he had believed them to be quarreling, although at the time he had assigned to O'Hagan the masculine side of the dispute. But certainly there must have arisen some difference of opinion between Anisty and the girl to have drawn from her that frantic negative Maitland had heard, to have been responsible for the overturning of the chair—an accident that seemed to argue something in the nature of a physical struggle; the chair itself lay upon its side, mute witness to a hasty and careless movement on somebody's part.

Opening a drawer of the desk, Maitland produced an aged pipe. A brazen jar, companion piece to the ash-receiver, held his tobacco. He filled the pipe from the jar, with thoughtful deliberation. And scraped a match beneath his chair and ignited the tobacco and puffed in contemplative contentment, deriving solace from each mouthful of grateful, evanescent incense. Meanwhile he held the charred match between thumb and forefinger.

Becoming conscious of this fact, he smiled in depreciation of his absent-minded mood, looked for the ash-receiver, discovered it in place, inverted beneath the book; and frowned, remembering. Then, with an impatient gesture—impatient of his own infirmity of mind—for he simply could not forget the girl—he dropped the match, swept the book aside, lifted the bowl.

After a moment of incredulous awe, the young man rose, with eyes a-light and a jubilant song in the heart of him. Now he knew, now understood, now believed, and now was justified of his faith!

After which depression came, with the consciousness that she was gone, forever removed beyond his reach and influence, and that by her own willful act! It was her intelligible wish that they should never meet again, for, having accomplished her errand, she had flown from the possibility of his thanks!

Smith tells me he has been graduated from an automobile school.

"Yes; he feelingly refers to it as alma mater." —Tuck.

jewels; somehow (and one wondered at what risk) she had contrived to take them from him and bring them back to their owner. And Anisty had followed.

Poor little woman! What had she suffered, what perils had she not braved, to prove that there was honor even in thieves! It could have been at no inconsiderable danger—a danger not incommensurate with that of robbing a tigress of her whips—that she had managed to flinch her loot from that pertinacious and vindictive soul, Anisty!

But she had accomplished it; and all for him!

If only he could find her, now!

There was a clew to his hand in that bag, of course, but by this act she forever removed from him the right to investigate that.

If he could only find that cabby.

Perhaps if he tried at the Madison square rank, immediately—

Besides, it was clearly his duty not to remain in the flat alone with the jewels another night. There was but one attainable place of safety for them, and that the safe of a reputable hotel. He would return to the Bartholdi at once, merely pausing on his way to inquire of the cabmen if they could send their brother-nighthawk to him.

Maitland shook himself into his top-coat, jammed hat upon head, dropped the jewels into one pocket, the cigarette case into another, and—on impulse—Anisty's revolver, with its two unexploded cartridges, into a third, and pressed the call button for O'Hagan, not waiting, however, for that worthy to climb the stair, but meeting him in the entry hall.

"I'm going back to the Bartholdi, O'Hagan, for the night. You may bring me my letters and any messages in the morning. I should like you to sleep in the flat to-night and answer any telephone calls."

"Yiss, Misster Maitland, sor."

"Have the police gone, O'Hagan?"

"There's a whole bottle full yet, sor."

"You've not been drinking, I trust?"

The Irishman shuffled. "Shure, sor, an' wud that be hospitable?"

Laughing, Maitland bade him good night and left the house, turning west to gain Fifth avenue, walking slowly because he was a little tired, and enjoying the rather unusual experience of being abroad at that hour without company. The sky seemed clearer than ordinarily, the city quieter than ever he had known it, and in the air was a sweet smell, reminiscent of the country-side—reminding one unhappily of the previous night when one had gone whistling to one's death along a perfumed country road.

"Good 'eavins, Misster Maitland, it's not unfeeling to be here."

Maitland looked up, bewildered for the instant. The voice that hailed him out of the sky was not unfamiliar.

A cab that he had waited on the corner to let pass, was reined back suddenly. The driver leaned down from the box and in a thunderstruck tone advertised his stupefaction.

"It ain't in nature, sir—if yer'll pardon my mentionin' it. But 'ere I leaves you not ten minutes ago at the St. Luke building and finds yer 'ere, when you 'aven't 'ad time—"

Maitland woke up. "What's that?" he questioned, sharply. "You left me where ten minutes—?"

"St. Luke buildin', corner Broadway an'—"

"I know it," excited, "but—"

"—av'in took yer there with the young lady!"

"Young lady!"

"—that comes outer the 'ouse with yer, sir—"

"The devil!" Maitland hesitated no longer; his foot was on the step as he spoke. "Drive me there at once, and drive for all you're worth!" he cried.

"If there's an ounce of speed in that plug of yours and you don't get it out—"

"Never fear, sir! We'll make it in five minutes!"

"It'll be worth your while."

"Right-O!"

Maitland dropped into his seat drowsily. "Good Lord!" he whispered; and then, savagely: "In the power of that infamous scoundrel—!" And felt of the revolver in his pocket.

The cab had been headed north; the St. Luke rears its massive bulk south of Twenty-second street. The driver expertly swung his vehicle almost on dead center. Simultaneously it careered with the impact of a heavy bulk landing upon the step and falling in a heap on the deck.

"My word, what's that?" came from aloft. Maitland was altogether too startled to speak.

The heap sat up, resolving itself into the semblance of a man; who spoke in decisive tones:

"If ye're goin' there, I'm goin' with ye, 't' yeh don't go—see?"

"The sleuth!" gasped Maitland, asounded.

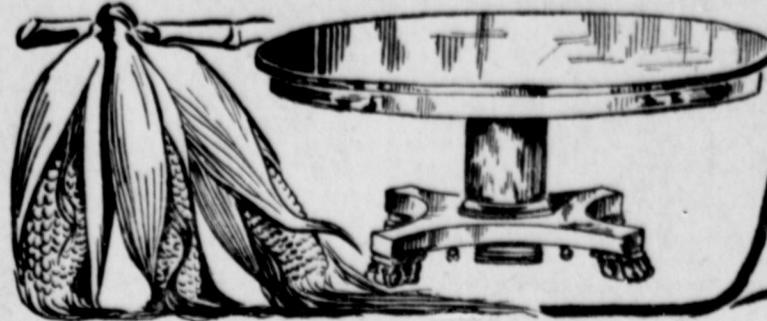
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Bright College Years.

"Smith tells me he has been graduated from an automobile school."

# SUGGESTIVE

# SUGGESTIONS



## For The Christmas Shopper

**EARLY** activity of our holiday business prompts us to ask our patrons and those who are intending the purchase of Holiday gifts in anything in our line to give us an early opportunity to show **our Christmas selections** which comprise many new and pretty designs.

Our CHAIR DEPARTMENT is more complete this season than ever before. We have them in Golden Oak, Mahogany, Etc., Genuine leather seats and highly polished.

### → Our Line of CHRISTMAS FURNITURE is Complete in Every Respect ←

We have the very latest styles in choicest quartered oak and other fancy woods as preferred, in Diningroom, Bedroom and Parlor Furniture. The finish and workmanship both in and outside are the best.

It will be to your interest to look at our line, even if you do not buy. SPECIAL ATTENTION is called to our line of Diningroom and Parlor Furniture !!

We have Pedestal Extension Tables, Sideboards, Buffets, Diners at prices that will astonish the inquirer ! Rockers, Chifforobes, China Closets, Chiffoniers, Brass and Iron Beds in all the latest finishes. Davenports, Couches, Library and Parlor Tables--a big, fine, complete in every respect.

—Our Store is Already Arranged For Xmas Buyers—

Open at night 'til 8:30 **Hickman Furniture Co.** The Home Furnisher  
EVERYTHING FOR EVERYBODY IN FURNITURE

### Will Spend \$10,000 in Hickman Next Year.

River Traffic Will be Revived and Put on Early Day Basis.  
Mississippi Valley Transportation Co. Power Behind  
Throne. Money Ready For Improvements.

Unless the most careful and most conservative calculations count for naught, the year of 1910 will be one of the greatest in the history of Hickman. This optimistic view is based upon things in sight—upon industrial and commercial activities which have already received an impetus sufficient to warrant a sure consummation.

Not least, but probably least magnified, is the waterways improvements which will be made by the Mississippi Valley Transportation Co.

This company has prepared the following estimate of the cost of installing terminals and a fleet of barges on the Lower Mississippi River, between St. Louis and New Orleans. This estimate is based upon the use only of the first quarter of the capital stock of the company, amounting to \$2,500,000, out of the total of \$10,000,000 with which the company is capitalized. The raising of the additional money will continue as rapidly as possible, and the company will, as this money is received, extend its service into the several tributaries and to the upper rivers.

The present plans recognize the importance of the earliest possible connection between the port of the Mississippi, New Orleans, and the metropolis of the Valley, St. Louis. They are based on a tonnage which is in many instances assured, and the remainder of which is sufficiently certain for the estimates to be based on it. The aim of this service is to give the greatest possible convenience to all the cities in the Valley between St. Louis and New

If you wish to have your Prescriptions filled quickly and accurately by

Registered Pharmacists

TAKE THEM TO

**COWGILL'S DRUG STORE**

where you may get your Drug wants at any hour

**DAY OR NIGHT**

Cowgill's Drug Store  
(Incorporated)

and probably not exceeding 5c per ton. In addition to this there will be installed cold storage equipment, consisting of a concrete basin eight to ten feet deep for storing bituminous coal under water, and riding over this a traveling bridge carrying a grab bucket which can deposit or collect coal from any part of the tank, and which can hoist cargo out of barges lying near the end of the tank or deliver the fuel in coal cars on an adjacent railroad track. The export business in coal from the Mississippi has only begun to be appreciated, and in the course of 5 years this company should be handling at least 1,000,000 tons of coal into New Orleans.

As a basis for the high class upstream traffic on the Mississippi this company has arranged to receive at New Orleans 75,000 tons of firstclass freight bound for the upper river, and these same boats will bring in at a low rate a very large additional tonnage for New Orleans. This freight consists of dry goods and other similar matter, most of which now pays a rate of 80c to 90c from New York to the Mississippi River, and which will be delivered by this company at through rates of from 50c to 60c a hundred at all river points, thus saving the jobbers of the Valley and their customers \$25,000 to \$50,000 a year on this item alone, and enabling jobbers to go farther east in competition with New York dealers.

The rates on sugar from New Orleans northward, recently lowered by the Illinois Central, are still 3c or 4c a hundred higher than this company will normally make, and in the case of close competition it will be able to go to a point at which railroad competition will not be practicable. At Baton Rouge this line will install terminal equipment which will enable it to make junction with the Louisiana Railway and Navigation Co., which has a line to Shreveport and connections to all parts of central Louisiana available for the distribution of coal and other commodities.

At Natchez a preliminary investi-

### For Sale

Workingmen's Lot!

G. B. Bond's Addition  
to West Hickman

The best located and cheapest property you can buy. Will make EASY TERMS. Lots sold to WHITE PEOPLE ONLY. See me at the Oil Mill.

—G. B. Bond

ment of \$25,000 will be made to provide for the elevation of coal and delivery of package freight for distribution by the railroads leaving city and Vidalia.

Vicksburg becomes one of the important points on the river in view of this company, as it is only a great collecting center for cotton of the Yazoo delta, famous for its high price and its excellent quality, but it is a heavy consumer of coal and the terminus of several important railroads.

Greenville, the center of the cotton growing region of "The Bends", a large shipping point for the Delta, is also the terminus of a railroad with important Alabama connections, and for this purpose will merit installation of transfer cars, dock and warehouse costing \$15,000.

Helena, at the mouth of the Francis, has several direct railroads into Arkansas, covering practically the entire state and offering reliable facility for transferring and transshipping freight. \$50,000 will be spent by the company in equipping the transfer facilities at this point.

Memphis, next to New Orleans and St. Louis, is the origin of the largest traffic offered on the main trunk line. Two separate interests which desire to carry cotton to sea from New Orleans have proposed each the delivery to them of 100,000 tons compressed cotton at the shipside in New Orleans, at a rate about \$2 a ton less than that now asked by the railroads. The river rate can be made lower than this and still be profitable to the stockholders of the company, and there is no reason to doubt that the 1,000,000 bales of cotton now collected in Memphis will be rapidly increased by the stimulus of a saving of 60 cents in the transportation of a bale and the excellent service to the shipside, which at New Orleans will eliminate all local storage and transfer charges.

Memphis will require large quantities of coal and a heavy tonnage.

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### Big Reduction on Printzess Coat Suits

We have a few fine Coat Suits left and as the season is getting late, We do not want to carry them over, so we are making low prices:

|                        |                     |       |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| \$35.00                | Printzess Suits for | 25.00 |
| \$33.50                | " "                 | 23.50 |
| \$30.00                | " "                 | 22.50 |
| \$25.00                | " "                 | 18.50 |
| Ladies' \$15 Capes for |                     | 11.50 |

### All Millinery at Reduced Prices

Our rule is never to carry over a single Ladies Hat from one season to another, so in order to make good, we make a reduction on all hats of----

**25% to 50% Off Regular Price**

Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co., Incorporated

Ladies  
\$10.00 Jackets  
**1.50**

# ELLISON BROS.

Ladies  
\$10.00 Skirts  
**5.00**

# CLOSING OUT

Ladies  
\$10.00 Long Cloaks  
**5.00**

# SALE!

Young Mens  
\$10.00 Coat and Vest  
**1.50**

Misses  
\$5.00 Cloaks  
**2.50**

# CLOSING OUT SALE

Mens and Boys  
\$3.00 Pants  
**1.50**

Ladies  
\$12.50 Long Coats  
**6.25**

Dry Goods, Cloaks, Suits  
Jackets, Pants, Shoes  
Domestics, Linens  
Sheetings, Trunks, Valises  
Dress Goods, Hosiery  
Gloves, Etc., Etc.

Mens and Boys  
\$2.00 Pants  
**1.00**

Mens  
\$10.00 Coat and Vest  
**2.50**

Are now being sold at  
**Slaughter Prices**  
**TO CLOSE OUT**  
**And Quit!**

Boys  
\$5.00 Suits  
**1.50**

# ELLISON BROS. HICKMAN, KY.



## THE HOME OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN

THOSE who have followed the successive steps of progress we have taken, are aware of the helpful possibilities our store presents to all who seek sensible gifts. To others we commend the careful perusal of this announcement, or, better still, a visit to the store itself. When the problem of something to give "HIM" for Christmas confronts you, as it always does at this season of the year, turn to this store for relief—we can certainly help you make an appropriate selection.

*What to Get For Him---that's the Question. Any of these are good:*

Suit Cases  
Suspenders  
Fine Shirts  
Umbrellas

Sweaters, Ties  
Fancy Hose  
Shirt Sets  
Hats, Caps

Fancy Vests  
Kid Gloves  
Collar Cases  
Shoes

Hand Grips  
Handkerchfs  
Mufflers  
Udderwear

**BRADLEY & PARHAM** *Open every night until 9:30*



"If a man die, shall he live again?"—Job xiv, 14.

MAN questions all the silent stars;  
He ponders on the hollow skies,  
Whose unrepenting darkness bars  
The further vision of his eyes;  
Yet year on year the trusting earth  
Bursts from its winter winding sheet,  
And man sees not the wondrous birth  
Of miracles beneath his feet.

When bare, brown boughs blaze into green,  
When new life thrills the blade of grass,  
We scan the stars and leave unseen  
The little mysteries we pass—  
The marvel of the swelling bud,  
The wonder of the bursting bloom,  
The blossom gems that thickly stud  
The ground that once has been their tomb.

The patient trees, unquestioning,  
They live and die and live again,  
As comes the call of fall or spring—  
They lack the hopes and fears of men.  
No miser-life the blossoms lead;  
They spend their perfumes in the breeze;  
And he who knows of worth may read  
The lessons written in the trees.

Man asks his answer of the night,  
And may not pierce the shrouding dark—  
The earth looks up against the light  
That wakens grass, and bud, and bark.  
The common earth—it has no creed,  
Save that spelled by each upturned clod,  
No faith save that of root and seed  
And the blind patience of the sod.



In one hotel of 700 rooms only, the wage bill amounts to \$17,000 a week. A big house—that is one which contains from 1,000 to 1,500 rooms—and the Ansonia apartment hotel in New York has 2,500—will pay about \$20,000 a day for food; to feed its thousand or fifteen hundred employees will mean from \$500 to \$700 to begin with. Fourteen barrels of flour, seven hundred dozen eggs, twenty-five barrels of oysters—the list may also go to indicate the waste there is. A big hotel will burn from fifty to one hundred tons of coal a day, winter and summer, for almost as much is required to keep the house cool as to

keep it warm. Items might easily be out of count—\$70,000 a year for music and orchestras for example, add their astonishing new figures. \$40,000 goes to new dishes, and \$60,000 to new linens. The whole bill for renewals, repairs and redecorations will annually amount to something between \$500,000 and \$600,000.

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Don't fail to see our big line of Christmas Goods. Presents for old and young can be selected from our stock.—Berendes.

—o—

HOT DRINKS—Cowgill's!

## ALL SORTS:

Suit cases at Rice's.

The last Courier for the year 1909 will be issued next week.

Born to the wife of Geo. T. Rankin, near Crutchfield, Dec. 4, a son.

County Coroner L. D. Smith has been on the sick list for several days.

Born to the wife of Ed Powell, Sunday night, a son. Christmas present, eh?

Reduced prices on Ladies Hats and Coat Suits at Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Company.

G. L. Collins will finish the work of remodeling the pretty residence of B. T. Davis this week.

We are selling all Ladies Hats and Coat Suits at big reductions.—Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

Yes, a pair of house slippers is just the thing for the ladies. We have them.—Rice's Shoe Store.

Wet weather goods—rubber boots, shoes, hats, coats, parasols, etc., at right prices at Rice's Shoe Store.

Mrs. John Kistner and son returned last week from St. Louis where they have been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Foltz.

Miss Nina Allen Holman, of near Fulton, was united in marriage last Thursday evening to Robert L. Cummings, of Union City.

Miss Frankye Reid purchased last week from S. L. Dodds a lot in the Southern Heights Addition and expects to build a nice residence in the spring.

W. A. Frost, of Wingo, chairman of the Democratic county committee, will probably make the race for the office of State Senator, the election of which comes off next year.

Mrs. Rosa Long was given a verdict of \$1,450 against the L. C. Railroad Company in the Circuit Court at Mayfield, for injuries received while getting off the train at Calvert City August 6, 1909.

An old gentleman in Massachusetts boasts of having voted seventy-two times. There are Republican repeaters in Pennsylvania who, although not yet on the shady side of life, have beaten that record at only one election.

The small boy is exceptionally polite and accommodating just now. There is also a noticeable increase in the Sunday school attendance in Hickman—all of which serves to remind us of the nearness of Christmas.

Sunday night at church in Hearns, a small town in Webster county, Gus Rayborn, age 17, struck Yeaman Johnson, age 22, with an iron covered stave from a buggy top, fracturing the skull from which Johnson died the next day.

The poles of the Western Union Telegraph Company are being removed from the city by the employees of the electric light plant by order of the city. The W. U. people were ordered to take away the poles and not so doing the city took proper action in the matter.—Fulton Leader.

All copy for advertising in next week's Courier—the last issue of the year—must be in NOT LATER than Tuesday morning to insure its publication. The paper will be gotten out Wednesday afternoon instead of on Thursday morning, which will be all the more advantageous for the advertiser.

Sam Berry, a man about fifty years old, was arrested Thursday afternoon in East Mayfield by Deputy Sheriff John Galloway and escorted to Clinton Friday morning. Berry is charged with housebreaking and it is alleged moved from Hickman county to Mayfield several weeks ago.

In his message to congress, Mr. Taft favors granting a big subsidy to American ship-builders and increasing the postage rate on newspapers and periodicals. The ship-builders need financial assistance while all the publishers in the country are multimillionaires and able to take care of themselves.

We are led to believe from the Commercial's figures that Fulton got skinned both in price and quality of work done on her streets. Our friends also take us to task forimating that the county might afford to build a pike from Hickman to Fulton, and assure us that it would cost \$10,000 a mile. Cut this in half and it is true that if the pike was made as wide as a city street—40 to 60 feet—the cost would be prohibitory.

## Christmas

## Suggestions

We are showing many new goods suitable for CHRISTMAS GIFTS

**Christmas Umbrellas** Not only the finest, but the largest collection in the city, of Pearl, Ivory and Gold Handle Umbrellas, at

\$2.50 to \$12.00

**Handbags, Very suitable Christmas Presents. Price**

\$1.00 to \$8.50

**Silk Scarfs, LADIES' NECKWEAR AND LACE YOKE COLLARS—**

Our assortment is large, all latest ideas for this season.

**Christmas Furs JUST RECEIVED, NEW LINE HOLIDAY FURS—**

Black and Brown Fur Sets, with Rug Muffs to match, at \$6 to \$15

Fur Neck Pieces, at \$3.50 to \$7.50

**Holiday Slippers---**

Women's Comfy Slippers in felt—in black and all colors at \$1.50

Felt Juliets—Women's Fur Trimmed Juliets, made of good felt,

black and green, at \$1.00 and \$1.50

Children's and Misses' Red Felt Comfy Slippers \$1.00 and \$1.50

**See Our New Line---**

LADIES' CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS

LADIES' CHRISTMAS KID GLOVES

LADIES' SILK EMBROIDERED HOSE

Call and see these and many other new goods we have to show you.

**Baltzer & Dodds Dry Goods Co.**

(INCORPORATED.)

## Will Spend \$10,000 in Hickman

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will be carried as cheaply by mile as it can be carried by the present Ohio River companies, and our coal supply is a thousand miles nearer our market than theirs is, this saving being a generous allowance for the customer.

But it is not entirely in the lowering of rates alone that this company benefits the Valley, as the ability to obtain transportation of any sort at moderate prices in times of congestion is worth many millions a year to the cities listed in this statement. There is, for instance, one lumber yard on the Lower Mississippi which recently had 30,000,000 feet of lumber stacked on the river bank, unable to secure freight cars to carry it away. With a requisition of seventy cars a day it was receiving but two. This lumber can be placed in barges, and instead of paying 18c a hundred rate which it pays by rail, can be carried, with great profit to the steamboat company, to East St. Louis for 12c a hundred, and the barges will be able to clear away such accumulations of stagnant and delayed freight with remarkable speed.

The fleet of this company for this purpose, the cost of which has been described earlier in this statement, will consist entirely of steel equipment, for which the maintenance is almost nothing, and the life of the barges is 50 years or more. A coat of paint every year is all the repairs such boats require for the first ten or twelve years. This is in opposition to the old style wooden boats, which cost nearly as much to build, were more difficult to tow, weigh more for the same capacity, and after the sixth year, and even earlier, require the expenditure of from 25 to 40 per cent of their cost every year to keep them in operation. It is this heavy drain that has long interfered with river equipment, and the use of steel barges absolutely does away with it.

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Cape Girardeau, an old river town which has recently become a railroad terminus of some importance, promises to be in time the gateway to the very rich and fertile region of the St. Francis Valley. As the through trade at this point increases the company will install apparatus to accommodate it. The allowance of \$10,000 in the original estimate provides for a terminal dock capable of handling 400 or 500 tons of freight day.

It is only necessary to say that the St. Louis equipment will be on scale suited to the traffic which this company proposes to carry on.

On the Missouri side of the river there will be erected a vertical wharf connected by a side track with the Central Belt Line, and so with every railroad running out of St. Louis. A row of electric cranes, mounted on the front edge of this wharf and hanging the barges lying below, will, with a rapidity almost incredible, and great economy, swing the packages of freight out of the hold to the waiting freight cars. These cranes will have a capacity of 4 tons each, and will be able to make 60 full swings an hour. Allowing but 10 swings, and half capacity, they will each move 80 tons an hour, making short work of the handling of the company's cargoes.

### Rates and Service.

It is too early to give a definite statement on the reduction of freight rates and the saving to the Valley on the installation of this company. First class rates from New Orleans were from \$1 to \$2 a ton. Coal

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## Remarkable Selling of Stylish Trimmed Hats!

Millinery carried over has no value. We have a custom to begin clearing our stock early. We do not carry Millinery over--we make prices that sell every hat. Our closing out sale is still in process.

This is a great opportunity to secure a stylish becoming Trimmed Hat, below actual cost of production.

Our entire stock included.



### There are smart hats

in felt, velvet and silk, the shapes are large, medium and small, the trimmings are the newest novelties and include all shades.

You never had such a chance before.

You Will Find As Large A Stock as All Others Combined  
The First Here Get the Choice

**SMITH & AMBERG**

# Xmas Suggestions

The real Christmas shopping commences now, and it finds us ready with stocks of Christmas merchandise. If you haven't started it's time to begin now, as there remains only sixteen shopping days before the great gift-giving event.

### Every Woman Has a Fondness For Fancy Art Linens

So you can't make a mistake in selecting some of these pieces for her Christmas gifts

|  |  |  |   |  |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| Hemstitched Linen Towels, with one row drawn work— | Hemstitched Table Covers, with drawn work, Large Size— | Union Linen Scarf, hemstitched, with one row drawn work— | Ladies Hemstitched all Linen Handkerchiefs sheer quality in plain white and colored border— | Union Linen Dollies, round with scalloped and embroidered edge, come in three sizes— |
| 25c, 50c and 1.00                                  | 50c, 75c and 1.00                                      | 80c  | 5c to 40c   | 10, 15c and 25c  |

### PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE OF RUGS

A sale of moment for the practical gift-giver as well as to those who want to beautify home for the Santa Claus celebration. A full line of Axminster Rugs, in all sizes, prices ranging from

**\$1.10 to \$8.50**

### The Practical Woman will Appreciate a Gift of Bedding . . .

Large size Bedspreads, Marseilles patterns, \$1.00 to \$1.25

Heavy Bedspreads, Marseilles patterns, hemmed, ready for use. Price & 1.50 to \$3.00

All Wool Blankets 10 1/4 and 11 1/4 sizes best blankets ever offered at price, \$3.00 to \$7.50

### Holiday Slippers

The giving of slippers is becoming more popular each year on account of their usefulness.

Men's and Women's Indian house slippers, in undressed kid, plain and fur top, in shades of brown, buck, red and tan. Prices ranging from

\$1.50 to \$2.00

A complete line of Children's Shoes, in kid and patent leather, all styles and shades,

\$1.15 to \$1.50

## FUQUA, HELM & COMPANY

### DEACON SNOW HEARS OF BIG FARMS IN DAKOTA.

I was talking with a Dakotan the other day. "Speaking of farms," he said, "we have some sizable farms out in Dakota. Yes, sir; I've seen a man on one of our big farms start

out in the spring and plow a straight furrow till fall. Then he turned around and harvested back."

"Wonderful!" said I.

"On our Dakota farms," he went on, "it's the usual thing to send young married couples out to milk the cows. Their children bring back the milk."

"Wonderful!" I repeated.

"Once," he said, "I saw a Dakota farmer's family prostrated with grief. women were weeping, the dogs were barking, the children were squalling and the tears ran down the farmer's cheeks as he hitched up his twenty-mule team and drove off."

"Where was he going?" said I. "He was going half way across the farm to feed the pigs."

"Did he ever get back?" I asked. "It isn't time for him yet," was the reply.—Luzelle Weekly Squirt.

See our Christmas Umbrellas. Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

A designer of wearing apparel in France says that in less than twenty years men and women will wear garments that do not reach below the knees. Fashion has always been a stern ruler, but we believe that she will continue to have some feeling for bow-legged persons.

### NOTICE TO PUBLIC.

After having sold goods for four years on time (or credit) I find my credit business to be such as not to justify me to sell any more goods that way.

Therefore I use these columns to inform my friends, patrons and the public in general, that after Jan. 1st, 1910, I will discontinue the credit business and sell strictly for cash.

E. A. MAYFIELD,  
Cayce, Ky.

Alex. Greer, age 35, died at his home east of Clinton, Wednesday.

Jim Eaton, of Fulton, is a man who really deserves the sympathy of his friends. Last Wednesday he buried the last member of his family—a 7-months-old baby girl. His wife died week before last. The grave had hardly closed over her, when his sixth and last child died.

### XMAS CANDIES !

No one thinks of Christmas without Candy. We could not. See the big stock we have and you will know what Candy and Xmas mean. NUNNALLY'S High Grade Xmas Package Candy 40c to \$5.00.

### Helm & Ellison

The main fight of the Kentucky anti-saloon league at the session of the next legislature in January will be for an extension of the county unit law so as to embrace every county in the state. The present law provides that counties shall vote as a unit on the saloon question, if they contain cities of 3,000 or more, though these counties may vote on it without reference to the district outside the cities. The liquor men of the state realize that they must make a stand in order to avoid extinction of their business, and the people may therefore prepare themselves to witness a bitter clash when the forces are lined up at Frankfort.

Packed in individual holiday boxes, we have a nice assortment of mufflers, neckties, fancy hosiery, and suspenders. Nothing better for the men folks.—Rice's.

There will be four eclipses next year, two of the sun and two of the moon. Total of the sun May 9, invisible in the United States; total of the moon, May 23-24, visible in North Central and South America; partial of the sun, Nov. 2, invisible in the United States; total of moon, Nov. 16, visible.

U. S. Revenue officers found and destroyed a still in Ripley county, one day last week, and arrested John Hearst, John McMillon and James Steele, who are charged with operating it. Steele married a sixteen-year-old girl a few days ago. Moonshining is a new occupation in Southeast Missouri.

Miss Nannie Tankersley left first of the week for Blytheville, Ark., where she has a position as a stenographer. She ordered the Courier to follow her.

### FULTON LADY DIES AT HOME OF SON NEAR HICKMAN.

Mrs. Mary Wade, aged about 70, died last week at the home of her son, Will Wade, a short distance below Hickman.

She had been ill for several weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Hill, near this city, but about two weeks ago she thought she had recovered sufficiently to stand the journey from her daughter's home to that of her son. She made the trip and contracted a severe cold which resulted in pneumonia and ultimately caused her death.

Mrs. Wade was one of the most prominent ladies in Fulton county and was widely known for her many deeds of kindness. She lived a consecrated Christian life and was a devoted mother and kind neighbor. She leaves numerous relatives in Fulton and vicinity as well as a host of friends who are grieved by her demise.—Fulton Commercial.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from Hickman Council 787, Mutual Protective League, our beloved companion, Polina J. Gray, we place this here today to pay our tribute to the memory of our departed companion.

A pilgrimage is ended, an earthly destiny is fulfilled, the hard battle of life is fought and to the only great Conqueror has the warrior yielded. Let us mourn with the mourners and weep with those who weep. Language cannot convey all that we would express. For the last time has our companion shed the kindly rays of her presence over the associations of our council room.

Resolved, the council has lost a beloved member, the husband a faithful wife and the sons a devoted mother. Be it

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Council records and a copy given the Hickman Courier for publication.

LENA S'DBERRY  
STELLA SALMON.

O. F. Stafford sold a hog Monday that weighed 635 pounds, at 7½c a pound. Next.

# Yule-Tide Pranks in the U.S. Navy

By WALDON FAWCETT

THE ENTIRE holiday season and especially Christmas day, is pre-eminently an occasion for "letting down the bars" with reference to the personnel of the enlisted force of the U. S. navy. Ordinarily pretty rigid discipline is enforced on the warships of our navy—as is necessary where so many men are crowded together in close quarters—but at the joyous yule-tide season the officers are wont to allow the bluejackets pretty free rein for their frolics. This latitude is allowed not merely because Christmas week is universally recognized as an occasion for mirth and merriment. Fully as potent is the fact that a general good time at Christmas keeps Jack from getting homesick for the sort of family



WRITING CHRISTMAS LETTERS TO THE FOLKS AT HOME

reunion that most other people are enjoying during the closing week of December. Of course, any one of Uncle Sam's tars may enjoy an old-fashioned Christmas at home if the ship to which he is attached happens to be in a port where his parents or other relatives reside, but, naturally, that is a rare contingency for any of the boys in blue. The average naval seaman is bound to be away from home on Christmas and he lays plans accordingly.

Many of the features of the average Christmas program in the navy indicate above all else that excess of animal spirits that might be expected from a whole community of red-blooded and militantly healthy young men who have been cooped up for some time previously. This accounts for the prominence given to sports and athletic contests in the yule-tide program. Of course, muscular competitions do not monopolize attention on this day of days. There are other red-letter events on the twenty-fifth of December, not forgetting the traditional Christmas spread and the almost inevitable minstrel show which rounds out the day. It is in connection with these, by the way, that the men-of-war's-men play many of the pranks, the privilege of practicing which they claim as their inalienable right on such occasions.

Your keen-witted naval sailor dearly loves a joke on any occasion and all through the year the bluejackets display that propensity for playing pranks that might be expected of a body of husky lads who combine with strenuous that irresponsibility which comes with the comforting assurance of an unfailing supply of substantial food and warm clothing. At Christmas this spirit reaches a climax. The tars play pranks on each other; they play pranks on their officers, who cannot resent such attentions at this time, and they are pretty apt to play pranks on every body in sight. They start in before daylight on Christmas morning, when many of the boys swing themselves out of their hammocks unusually early in order to "dress" the ship with holiday greens ere the sun is up.

Usually the gibles for the officers are reserved for the minstrel show in the evening, but there have been occasions in the history of the navy when the bluejackets played decidedly practical jokes on their superiors in connection with the Christmas dinner. For instance, at Shanghai, China, a few years ago, a delegation of the enlisted men got ashore almost as soon as the ship dropped anchor in port, and having forestalled the wearers of gold braid they proceeded to "corner" the limited market of turkeys. Thus they had plentiful slices of the light and dark meat at their spread, while the ward-room mess had to put up with a not altogether satisfactory substitute. The high prices paid for fowl on this occasion constitute but one of many illustrations that might be cited to prove how lavish are the bluejackets in their expenditures when it comes to providing ammunition for the proper observance of Christmas.

The mischievous nature of these boys grows tall crops out in the character of many of the contests that take place on Christmas afternoon. There are boxing, wrestling and fencing contests that are in deadly earnest, but there are also such merriment makers as egg races, potato races, three-legged races, sack races, etc., and finally there are ludicrous pie-eating contests and similar stunts. A time honored Christmas prank aboard Yankee fighting ships is that wherein a procession of fantastically garbed sailors visits the captain's quarters, carrying a bucket of whitewash, and petitions the commanding officer to literally or figuratively wipe out all scores or demerits standing against members of the crew for minor infractions of the rules. If the master of the craft is not utterly lacking in that tact and discernment which makes for popularity in the navy, he hastens to take cognizance of the spirit of the day by granting this request for universal clemency.

The opportunities for enjoyment open to our American bluejackets at Christmas have been materially enhanced by the present policy of having the warships, whenever possible, spend the holidays in some populous port. For instance, the plan, at this writing, is to have the big battleship fleet spend



EXCHANGING CHRISTMAS GREETINGS  
BY FLAG SIGNALING



CHRISTMAS ATHLETICS  
IN THE NAVY

Christmas in New York harbor. This means plenty of entertainment for the bluejackets when they have "shore leave," and it likewise gives many of the tars opportunity to entertain fair friends aboard and proudly show them over the floating fortress.

Another new of policy in the navy that makes all holidays more worth while is that outlined in the recent order of the secretary of the navy which prescribes that work aboard our warships shall be reduced to a minimum on Sundays and holidays. Even ship inspection and inspection of the crew are dispensed with on such occasions—or rather is

## THE HOLLY AND THE MISTLETOE

### A CHRISTMAS ARGUMENT

One morning in the snow the Holly and the Mistletoe met, and straightway into argument they fell;

And the Holly in his pride his very hardest tried To show he was by far the greatest swell.

"Oh, it's folly, folly, folly!" cried the Mistletoe to Holly,

"To give yourself the silly airs you do; For you'll very soon find out that the world, without a doubt,

Could get along quite nicely without you."

"Ah, I know, I know, I know!" said Holly to the Mistletoe,

"You're as envious as ever you can be;

And you're cross and angry very, 'cause you haven't got a berry

Red, and round, and bright and beautiful, like me."

Answered Mistletoe then, laughing: "Why, of course you're only chaffing.

I've a berry too, as pure and white as snow.

Every Christmas time they find me, and they take me in and bind me

Just above the door, as very well you know."

"What a silly tale you're telling!" scoffed the Holly, proudly swelling.

"For one of you they'll use a dozen of me. You're an interloping person; and you only grow what's worse, on

The branches of some other kind of tree.

"Now, to children, I'm the symbol of the nights when 'Hunt-the-Thimble,'

'Old-Man's Buff,' and such games keep them out of bed;

And the plum-pudding at dinner, you will find,

or I'm a sinner,

Always has a sprig of holly in his head."

Then the Mistletoe said, winking: "There's just one small point, I'm thinking,

That you have altogether failed to see!

If at Christmas time I'm missing, why there can't be any kissing!

So the palms, you must admit, belongs to me."

Now the moral of this story is, if you're inclined to glory

In your own importance, you are sure to find

That in others' estimation you're a less important station.

And in argument you may get left behind.

*(Illustrations by W. H. Dallin.)*

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## Kentucky Gleanings

Most Important News Gathered from All Parts of the State.

### BONDHOLDERS' POOL

Takes Over Properties In Kentucky and Indiana.

Louisville, Ky.—E. H. Cady, of Toledo, O., representing a committee in charge of a pool of company bondholders, was the only bidder for the property of the defunct Central Home Telephone Co. when Joshua D. Powers, special master, called for bids at the courthouse in accordance with the order of the United States district court for the eastern district of Kentucky. Mr. Cady bid \$250,000. He represents interests amounting to \$2,000,000. The Central Home Telephone Co. was incorporated in New Jersey, in 1905, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000, and gave a mortgage for a like sum. It was planned to merge telephone companies in Kentucky, Northern Tennessee and Southern Indiana, but the scheme fell through and the company went into the hands of a receiver. The company owns more than 300 miles of wires.

### FUNDS OF BURLEY SOCIETY

To Be Held Until Court Order in Reversal Directs Its Distribution.

Lexington, Ky.—Rufus Lisle and Lee S. Baldwin of Winchester, who were appointed by Judge Benton, of the Clark circuit court, as receivers for the Burley Tobacco society's residue from the sale of the pooled tobacco crops of 1906 and 1907, came here, and, following a conference with burley society officials and attorneys, took formal charge of the books and papers of the society. A draft for \$301,000, representing the money now in the three banks at Winchester as the remainder of the deposit from the sale of the 1906 and 1907 crops, was made payable to them. They took this draft with them to Winchester. The books and papers will not be removed from the burley offices here. They will not be needed by the receivers until the apportionment is to be made according to the orders of the court. When this will transpire, or whether it will transpire at all depends upon the action of the court of appeals. If the higher court should reverse the decision of the Clark circuit court the apportionment will be made by the officers of the burley society and not by the receivers.

Louisville, Ky.—Considerable excitement prevailed at the First Regimental armory here when Capt. Clements, of Company G, attempted to place two privates under arrest for non-attendance at drills. Arthur Smith, of the hospital corps, interposed and was likewise placed under arrest. A civilian placed a revolver at the head of the man guarding the prisoners and six other belligerents effected a rescue. A detail of 12 men under Capt. Clements was sent out to apprehend the prisoners, and a warrant taken out for the civilian.

Frankfort, Ky.—An order was issued in the federal court in the case of Charles F. Coffin against the Bell Jellico Coal Co., of Pineville, dismissing the receiver, R. M. Jackson, of London. Judge Cochran says an agreement of settlement has been reached, and directed the receiver to turn the books and funds of the company over to the directors of the Bell Jellico Coal Co.

Frankfort, Ky.—Eighteen men qualified as jurymen to try the \$25,000 damage suit of Mrs. Josie Hazelton against Walker Duncan and others accused of killing her husband. All are farmers. It is said the history of the alleged night rider organization in Central Kentucky will be laid bare during the trial.

Lexington, Ky.—The general council unanimously adopted an ordinance authorizing and directing Mayor John Sain to enter into a contract with the Lexington Hydraulic and Manufacturing Co. to furnish the city with water for 25 years, beginning Jan. 1, 1910.

Louisville, Ky.—Harness dealers of Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, who are interested in checking the evils that confront the trade, will attempt to form a permanent organization when the first annual meeting of the Tri-State Harness Dealers' association is held in this city, Jan. 17, 18 and 19.

Danville, Ky.—House dogs in Danville, through some unknown influence, are returning to the wild, unnamed state and at nightfall become as ferocious and nomadic as the wolf dogs of pioneer days. Chickens, hogs, sheep and even larger stock fall prey to the vicious curs.

Louisville, Ky.—Louisville may be selected as headquarters for the Modern National Reserve, a fraternal and benefit society. Dr. V. A. Young, supreme president of the organization, said to be very favorably impressed with this city.

Russellville, Ky.—J. W. Johnson, a travelling man from Cincinnati, who was injured by jumping from a buggy when the team ran away, died in a Bowling Green sanitarium, from a clot on the brain. His skull had been fractured.

### TAX BILLS ARE COLLECTABLE

In Cities of First Class, Decides Court of Appeals.

Frankfort, Ky.—The validity of Section 2,998, of the Kentucky Statutes, 1909 edition, which provides for the collection of tax bills in cities of the first class, was upheld by the court of appeals, which affirmed the judgment of the Jefferson circuit court in the case of William Specht against the city of Louisville. Specht contended that the act affects adult persons only and does not apply to the property of infants, persons under the disability of coverture or insane persons, and, because the rate of interest charged on tax bills is usurious, is a violation of Section 2,218 and 2,219 of the Kentucky statutes. The court, however, takes the opposite view of the act and upholds it.

### BIG TOBACCO SALE.

John H. Hodge, for the Regie Interests, Buys 4,500,000 Pounds.

Madisonville, Ky.—The Stemming association of this district sold its tobacco to John H. Hodge, for the Regie people, of 4,500,000 pounds. Hodge is to get 2,000,000 pounds at Henderson, 2,000,000 at Slaughtersville of the Webster county tobacco and 500,000 pounds at that city of Hopkins county tobacco. This leaves only about 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 pounds of tobacco unsold in the counties of Henderson, Webster, Union and Hopkins of the 1909 crop. The association had approximately 25,000,000 pounds of the 1909 crop, and has disposed of all but about 2,500,000.

### PRICELESS RELIC

Of the Revolution Acquired by State Historical Society.

Frankfort, Ky.—The State Historical society will get the cannon captured by the revolutionists from Gen. Burgoyne, which has been in the state arsenal here for years. Gen. Johnston also notified Mrs. Jennie C. Morton, secretary-treasurer, that he would present the society with a painting of Gen. John C. Breckinridge wearing his confederate uniform.

Frankfort, Ky.—Four new companies were admitted to the state by Insurance Commissioner C. W. Bell. They are the Mannheim Fire Insurance Co., Mannheim, Germany, capital stock \$200,000; Rhode Island Fire Insurance Co., Providence, capital stock \$300,000; the International Fire Insurance Co., Ft. Worth, Tex., capital stock \$204,200, and the Federal Life Insurance Co., Chicago, capital stock \$150,000.

Frankfort, Ky.—Gov. Willson received a letter from Herbert Myrick, editor in chief of the American Agriculturist, of New York, stating that he has a client looking for a big tract of farming land suitable for colonization. The client wants either several tracts of land, each 10,000 to 100,000 acres, or one tract from 100,000 to 1,000,000 acres. The land is desired for agricultural purposes.

Frankfort, Ky.—Pistol toters get no sympathy from Gov. Willson, as he refused to pardon Arnold Leavell, of Trigg county, convicted of carrying concealed and deadly weapons, although the aged father of the boy, a minister, pleaded to see his son before he dies. The boy is fugitive.

Lexington, Ky.—Senator Combs and Representative Klafer will on the first day of the session of the legislature in January offer a bill providing for a special election for the citizens of Lexington to vote on a proposed \$500,000 bond issue for the reconstruction of brick streets.

Lexington, Ky.—The Fastig-Tipton Co.'s tenth annual sale of thoroughbred horses opened with the disposal of 142 head of stallions, mares and weanlings for an aggregate of \$28,930, an average of a few cents less than \$204. The attendance was good, and the bidding was brisk.

Hopkinsville, Ky.—The Planters' Bank and Trust Co. and the Commercial and Savings bank will be consolidated on Jan. 1 under the name of the Planters' Bank and Trust Co. The capital stock will be \$150,000.

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### BACKACHE IS KIDNEYACHE.

Usually There Are Other Troubles to Prove It.

Pain in the back is pain in the kidneys, in most cases, and it points to the need of a special remedy to remove and cure the congestion or inflammation of the kidneys that is interfering with their work and causing that pain that makes you say: "Oh, my back."

Thompson Watkins, professional nurse, 420 N. 23rd St., Parsons, Kan., says: "For some time I was annoyed with sharp twinges across the small of my back and irregular passages of the kidney secretions. Since using Doan's Kidney Pills, I am free from these troubles."

Remember the name—Doan's. Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### A HINT.



The Boss—That's an ancient-looking coat you're wearing, Mr. Shrimp.

Mr. Shrimp—Yes, sir; it's the one I got when you last raised my salary!

### SKIN ROUGH AS BARK.

Baby Boy Had Intense Itching Humor—Scratched Till Blood Ran.

Found a Cure in Cuticura.

"Our son, two years old, was afflicted with a rash. After he suffered with the trouble several weeks I took him to the doctor but it got worse. The rash ran together and made large blisters. The little fellow didn't want to do anything but scratch and we had to wrap his hands up to keep him from tearing the flesh open till the blood would run. The itching was intense. The skin on his back became hard and rough like the bark of a tree. He suffered intensely for about three months. But I found a remedy in Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment. The result was almost magical. That was more than two years ago and there has not been the slightest symptom of it since he was cured." J. W. Lauck, Yukon, Okla., Aug. 28 and Sept. 17, 1908.

Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Prop., Boston.

### A Revelation to the Cook.

A happily married woman, who had enjoyed 33 years of wedlock, and who was the grandmother of four beautiful little children, had an amusing old colored woman for a cook.

One day when a box of especially beautiful flowers was left for the mistress the cook happened to be present, and she said: "Yo' husband send you all the pretty flowers you gits, missy?"

"Certainly, my husband, mammy," proudly answered the lady.

"Glory!" exclaimed the cook, "he suently am holdin' out well."—Ladies' Home Journal.

### Astonished the Company.

A famous dean was once at dinner, when, just as the cloth was removed, the subject of discourse happened to be that of extraordinary mortality among lawyers. "We have lost," said a gentleman, "not less than six eminent barristers in as many months." The dean, who was quite deaf, rose as his friend finished his remarks, and gave the company grace—"For this and every other mercy, make us truly thankful."

### Wanted More.

Francis, aged 2½, was given a bunch of grapes on his solemn promise not to "swallow the seeds." Very carefully he removed them all, and enjoyed the fruit as a child always does.

He had removed the last grape from its clinging place, he handed the empty stalk to his father.

"Daddy," he said, "will you send this back to the store and have the man put some more grapes on it?"

### Sentiments for Husbands.

"When a man really loves his wife he ought to combine all his nicest sentiments toward other women into one big sentiment for her."

"He should show her the respect he feels toward his mother; the politeness he shows other women, and the responsibility he feels toward his sister."

"To all of that he should add the great love he should feel for a wife."

### All the Same to Her.

"I must warn you, dearest," he said, "that after we are married you will very likely find me inclined to be arbitrary and dictatorial in my manner."

"No matter," she replied, cheerfully.

"I won't pay the slightest attention to what you say."

### EXPOSURE TO COLD

and wet is the first step to Pneumonia. Take Perry Davis' Painkiller and the danger is averted. For colds, sore throat, quinsy, etc. 50c and 80c.

As an eye-opener, what's the matter with an alarm clock?

### Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, relieves pain, cures wind colic. 50c a bottle.

In a man's life the greatest necessity is more money.

### JUST SUIT HER.



Employer—What we want is a night watchman that watches—somebody who can sleep with one eye open and both ears, and who is not afraid to tackle anything. See?

Applicant—I see, boss; I'll send me wife round.

### Not Her First Purchase.

This is a baby story they tell out at Beloit: A woman called at a dry goods store to look at some baby dresses. The clerk showed her a line valued at five dollars each, and talked volubly about "how proud" the mother ought to be over the baby. He suggested that possibly she might want a more expensive dress.

But the mother did not seem to "enthuse" a bit over the clerk's gush.

"How many children have you?" asked the clerk, cautiously.

"Oh, this is the eleventh," she replied, carefully scanning the price tags.

And out came a line of baby dresses with a more modest list of prices.—Kansas City Journal.

### The More Glorious Alternative.

Maud Muller knew what she wanted. "I'd rather be written up in a poem than the funny men will be parodying a hundred years from now than marry the judge to-morrow!" she exclaimed, and suiting the action to the word she ranked the meadow sweet with hay in such a manner that the judge riding slowly down the lane, smoothed his horse's chestnut mane and let go at that.

Naturally the girl's folks were considerably disgusted at having her left on their hands that way, but who ever purchased a worthy immortality cheaply?—Puck.

### An Ever Ready Opening.

The editor suddenly became conscious that some one was standing behind him. Looking round, his glance fell upon a seedy looking individual with the eyes of a crank.

"I beg your pardon," said the newcomer, "but is there an openin' here for a first-class intellectual writer?"

"Yes," grimly responded the editor. "An ingenious carpenter, foreseeing your visit, has provided an excellent opening. Turn the knob to the right, and do not slam the door as you go out."—The Sunday Magazine.

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDING DRUGGISTS, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials are free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Taught by Experience.

"So the jury returned a verdict without leaving the courtroom," said the visitor.

"Yep," answered Broncho Bob. "That's the way Crimson Gulch juries always do nowadays. The boys have had so much trouble that they stay where they are instead of taking chances on getting separated from their hats and overcoats."

### This Will Interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Teething Diseases, Stomach Troubles and Dentition. Wounds, Burns, Ulcers, Cuts, Cures. All druggists sell. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

### No Hobnobbing.

Mrs. Askit—When she's abroad does she hobnob with royalty?

Mrs. Nonnaught—Mercy, no! Her behaviour is always extremely proper.—Smart Set.

### For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine.

Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—please to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

### Rebuked.

Clarice—Don't you think that our flat is lots nicer than the Browns?

Friend—Tut, tut, Clarice! It's bad form to match quarters.

### Daily Thought

# Christmas Cut Price Sale

**Beginning Friday, Dec. 17**

**Ending Friday, Dec. 31**

FOR TWO WEEKS we will cut prices on everything in the house---the greatest cut-price sale ever known in Hickman. All standard and most dependable merchandise to be sacrificed at cost and below. It is an unusual thing for us to do to put our Cut-Price Sale on at this time, but our stock is unusually large and we must reduce it at our own expense, and you will reap the benefit of this great opportunity.

**Now is The Time To Do Your Christmas Shopping At This Store**

## Dress Goods, Flannels, Etc.

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| Calico worth 7c, now at   | 5c  |
| One yd. wide Brown Domestic, worth 6½c<br>cut price sale                        | 5c  |
| Yard wide Brown Domestic, the best, worth<br>9c, sale price                     | 6½c |
| Best 12 1-2c Outing Flannel, at   | 9c  |
| Good quality Outing Flannel at  | 5c  |
| Every piece of all-wool Dress Good, usually<br>sold for 65c, sale price, per yd | 48c |
| 10c and 12 1-2c Percaline, now  | 9c  |
| Big line of 12 1-2c Ginghams at   | 8c  |
| Cotton Check Gingham worth 7 1-2c, sale<br>price                                | 5c  |
| 1.25 Broadcloth Panama, fine suiting, all<br>wool, sale price                   | 89c |
| 12 1-2c Canton Flannel, sale price  | 9c  |
| Nice line of half wool Dress Goods, worth<br>40c, sale price                    | 25c |
| Yard wide Taffeta Silk, best quality, at this<br>sale for                       | 98c |
| Every piece of Taffeta and China Silk, plain<br>and fancy, worth 60c, now       | 45c |

## HANDKERCHIEFS

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| 40c Handkerchiefs, sale price | 25c |
| 25c Handkerchiefs, sale price | 19c |
| 20c Handkerchiefs, sale price | 15c |
| 15c Handkerchiefs, sale price | 10c |
| 10c Handkerchiefs, sale price | 4c  |

## Children's Coats

A large stock of Misses' and Children's Coats will be marked at half price and less.

## Fine Line of Petticoats

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| 2.50 Petticoats, sale price | 1.75 |
| 2.00 Petticoats, sale price | 1.48 |
| 1.50 Petticoats, sale price | 98c  |
| 75c Petticoats, sale price  | 48   |



## MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| In this line we are compelled to make a great reduction without regard to cost. You need the clothes and we need the cash. |       |
| 20.00 Men's Suits, sale price  | 14.95 |
| 18.00 " "  | 12.95 |
| 15.00 " "  | 9.95  |
| 12.50 " "  | 8.95  |
| 10.00 " "  | 6.95  |
| 8.00 " "   | 4.95  |

### Men's Pants

Every pair of pants in the house are reduced to such a point that you can't help from buying one pair at least.

### Boys' Clothing

Our stock is larger than it has ever been before, and must be sold. We positively will not carry our winter clothing over. Bring in your boys.

## Shirts and Underwear

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| Heavy, fleece lined Shirts and Drawers, worth 60c,<br>sale price    | 45c |
| All wool Underwear, worth 1.50 a garment, sale price<br>per garment | 98c |
| Dress Shirts, worth 65c   | 48c |
| Dress Shirts, worth 1.00  | 85c |
| Dress Shirts, worth 1.50  | 98c |

## MEN'S SHOES

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| 5.00 Shoes reduced to | 3.98 |
| 4.00 " "              | 3.45 |
| 3.50 " "              | 2.98 |
| 3.00 " "              | 2.45 |
| 2.50 " "              | 1.95 |
| 2.00 " "              | 1.55 |



## MEN'S HATS

Soft and Stiff Hats at great reduction. Come, and let us fit your head with a stylish hat. Don't miss this chance.

## SUITS AND SKIRTS

Strictly hand tailored. Our stock is very large and complete and we must sell every garment before Christmas. A great saving opportunity.

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| 16.50 Ladies' Fine Tailored Suits in London gray, Mars green, black and navy blue<br>Our sale price | 12.98 |
| 5.50 Skirts, strictly the very latest models, colors blue green and black, at                       | 3.95  |
| 6.50 Skirts, best in the house, all colors.<br>Sale price   | 4.45  |

## BLANKETS

|  |      |
|--|------|
| 10 1/4 Heavy Cotton Blankets, worth 1.50,<br>sale price                  | 98c  |
| Half wool, very heavy, large size blanket,<br>worth 4.00, sale price     | 2.48 |
| Strictly all wool, finest blanket in the house<br>worth 9.00, sale price | 5.48 |

## Rugs and Art Squares

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| You can't select a more sensible gift. A nice Ast Square or Rug will be appreciated by wife, sister, mother or sweetheart. |       |
| 2.75 Rug, sale price   | 1.98  |
| 5.00 Rug, sale price   | 3.48  |
| 2.00 Rug, sale price   | 1.48  |
| 1.50 Rug, sale price   | 1.19  |
| 1.25 Rug, sale price   | .98c  |
| 30.00 Wilton Velvet Art Square, room size,<br>sale price   | 22.95 |
| 25.00 Axminster Art Squares, room size, sale<br>price  | 20.95 |
| 15.00 Brussels Art Squares, sale price   | 9.95  |

# COME TO THE REAL SALE

Remember this is a strictly Cut Price Sale, and we mean every word—we absolutely guarantee everything as advertised. If you are not satisfied we will refund your money on anything bought outside of cut piece goods.

# NAIFEH BROS. DRY GOODS COMPANY

Hickman, Kentucky

STRICTLY CASH is the only consideration at this sale.

Two Weeks of  
**BARGAINS**  
Friday, Dec. 17  
till  
Friday, Dec. 31

COME  
to the  
**BIG SALE**  
and get your  
Christmas Goods

# THE HICKMAN COURIER.

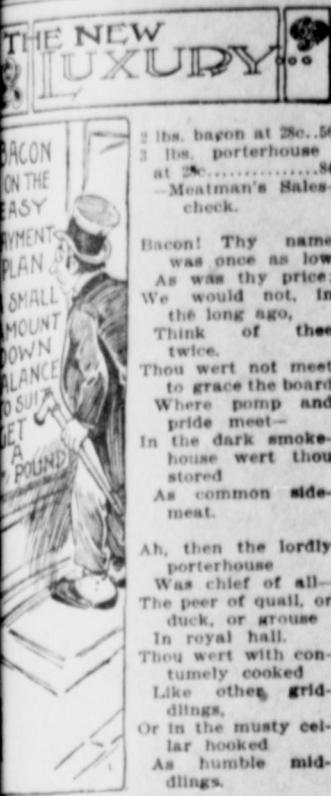
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HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1909.

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ESTABLISHED IN THE YEAR 1850



GRAY'S ELEGY REVISED.

The following lines, written in Lu-zelle's country church yard, by Associate editor Roney, appears in the Lu-zelle Weekly Squirt:

Beneath the stones they sweetly sleep, the humble toilers of the press, no more to sorrow or to weep, no more to labor in distress. Here lies

Bacon! Thy name was once as low As was thy price; We would not, in the long ago, Think of thee twice.

Thou wert not meet to grace the board Where pomp and pride meet In the dark smoke-house wert thou stored As common side-meat.

Ah, then the lordly porterhouse Was chief of all— The peer of quail, or duck, or grouse In royal hall. Thou wert with comely cooked Like other gridlings, Or in the musty cellar hooked As humble mid-dlings.

porterhouse was for the great, held apart; the fair folk of mean estate though honest heart,

so might be on a fowl to bake greens mightest season

coalist not rank with any steak rhyme or reason.

furnishedst a handy rind greasing boots, and say for place thou wert designed bold merit boots, now by fortune's changing whim we rank thoust taken— struggle now with courage grim

to save our bacon.

Thou shonest how to climb rain in worth, all thou needst is patient time though low thy birth,

day the waiter brings thee in with proper splendor—

orders thoust has got the tin is a spender!

OLD MAN GIDDLES OBSERVES.

A politician gets so immersed in his profession that when he kisses his own children he puts them on the head and tells their mother she is to be congratulated.

Ezra Todd says he ought to have a boom; he loves country and is fond of buttermilk.

When a man gets really great and stuck up along with it is the time his old friends to happen around tell how he looked when he could recite Spartacus' Address to Gladiators.

It is all right for a man to think he has it all; the trouble comes when wants to tell it all the time.

It never occurs to these reformers want to stop the creating evil to refuse to be treated would

For Verification Only. And so you are not afraid to let go away for two months all by self," says the recently married

"Not a bit, darling," confidently re-asses his wife. "I'm glad you have such perfect trust in me."

Indeed I have. I trust you implicitly—and just to verify my trust in you have decided to go with you

your trip."

—O—

HOT DRINKS—Cowgill's !

—O—

Sam Wade, well known in Hickman moved to his new home in this county, near Jordan. He and his family have been residents of the County of Union City.

—O—

Purity, accuracy and prompt service the motto of our drug department. Hickman Drug Co.

—O—

W. A. Johnston, former stockholder and manager of the Bardwell Hardware Company here, is one of the incorporators of the Hickman Telephone Co., which company has recently filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State at Frank-Carlsbad County News.

for keeps when he referred to "flying trips." And one, the noblest of them all, is resting on the windswept hill; in writing of a game of ball, he spoke of one who "hit the pill." Hard by the wall, where roses bloom, and breezes sway the clinging vines, that youth is sleeping in his tomb, who used the phrase, "along

MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED IN OBIION COUNTY.

The following were granted license to marry in Obion county last week: C. C. Wood and Jane Pennington. Samuel P. Cox and Sallie Carter. Horace Hyassee and Ina Evans. George Smith and Myrtle Wilson. E. G. Logan and Jessie L. Prewett.

HARDY GRAIN COMPANY'S ELEVATORS SOLD.

The trustees in bankruptcy for the Hardy Grain Co., met in Union City last week and sold to the highest bidder all of the property of the above company, consisting of mills, elevators and office buildings and fixtures. The mill and elevators were

It is understood that the new company will begin operations at once.

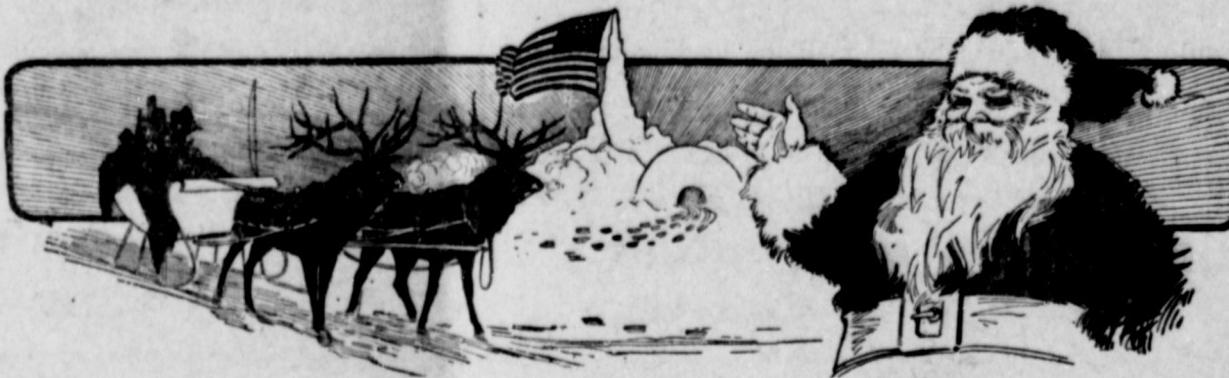
It becomes more apparent every day that a certain gang of Louisville politicians are making plans to capture the Democratic organization and if they are successful it will not in any way be beneficial to the party.

Toys, Dolls

on sale  
in the

BARGAIN SECTION

Lower Prices for CASH!



Fancy Goods Novelties  
Souvenirs, Gift Pieces  
of China, Crystal, &c

on sale  
in the

BARGAIN SECTION

Lower Prices for CASH!

SANTA CLAUS COMES THIS YEAR TO

E. R. ELLISON'S

# CASH STORE

With New Goods, and More New Goods Still Coming !

Attractive assortments of the Newest, Latest and best of the world's markets in Toys, Dolls, Fancy Goods of all kinds, Souvenirs and Novelties of many new and delightful kinds all to be distributed at prices much lower than you expect to get them for.

## THIS STORE..

sells only for Spot Cash and at the same price to every one alike. For that reason we mark all our goods at lower prices.

You will find our assortments of Dry Goods, Notions, Novelties, Hosiery, Underwear, Gloves, Corsets, Ladies' and Children's Furnishings, Men's Furnishings, House Furnishings Home Goods, Table Furnishings, &c., all marked at

**Lower Prices  
For Cash !**

**Come and Look**



## LOWER PRICES..

prevail throughout our

### BARGAIN SECTION

to an extent that will surprise you ! Right now this half of the store is occupied by

**SANTA CLAUS**

who is distributing his presents at much lower prices than you would expect. For the

**Children Specially**

you will be surprised at the number of attractive gifts 5c and 10c will buy. For the Grown-ups, we are over-flowing with acceptable gifts at Popular Prices.

**Come and Look**

a youth upon whose tomb the tear of pity often drops, we had to send him to his doom, because he wrote of "bumper drops." Here sleeps the golden years away the fairest of the human tribe, we slew him at the break of day, because he called himself "ye scribe." Beneath that yew another sleeps, who did his work with smiling lips, we had to put him out

these lines." Today the sexton yields his spade, and digs a grave both deep and wide, where soon the stricken will be laid, who wrote about "the blushing bride."

If your sewing machine runs heavy, why not get the Singer agent, L. A. Brock, to adjust it and make it run light and easy again.

Henry Clark and Mary Hartsfield, W. B. Hagen and Bettie L. Inman, Ed Foster and Myrtle Ray, Ben McAlister and Minnie B. Ballie

bought by Wm. Waterfield of the Neal & Shoffner Grain Co., of Nashville, the price paid being \$16,800. This is one of the finest structures of its kind in West Tennessee, being built four years ago at a cost of \$35,000. The office building and fixtures were bought by G. B. Driskill, of Union City.

The ladies of the Methodist church cleared a neat sum at their Christmas sale or bazaar, held at the home of Mrs. J. T. Stephens, Thursday afternoon.

Don't fail to see our big line of Christmas Goods. Presents for old and young can be selected from our stock.—Berendes.

# Xmas Candies, Cigars, Fruit, Cakes, Nuts, Etc.

## BEST LINE EVER IN HICKMAN

### Christmas Candies

We now have on display over \$600 worth of Lowney's famous candies, in beautiful baskets and boxes, ranging in price from

40c to \$12

Every piece of it has our personal guarantee to be as good as the best. Make your selections NOW.

We have a splendid assortment of bulk and stick candy at per pound, from

10c to \$1.00

### Christmas Cigars

We have just received a large assortment of the leading brands of cigars, in fancy holiday boxes, that will make a very acceptable gift for gentlemen. These boxes contain 25, 50 or 100

#### Choice Cigars

and you can spend as much or as little as you please on the gift. A gift that is always acceptable.

A big line of all the leading brands at

Economy Prices

### Nuts and Fruits

This is our long suit. We have now on display the largest and most varied assortment of imported and domestic nuts and fruits ever seen in Hickman.

#### All Fresh

There are no old nuts in our stock—all this year's crop, and we guarantee them to be the best to be obtained in the market, or you can have

#### Your Money Back

### Best Fruit Cakes

A nice line of them, baked right in our own bakery—and we know they are as nice as can be found anywhere. You cannot afford to make them for the price we ask, as we make them in

#### Large Quantities

in connection with our regular line of baking—all sizes and medium prices. Don't forget we carry the best line of bread, pies, cakes, cookies and pastry of all kind

"Made in Hickman"

Everything Guaranteed as Represented

**JONES' CAFE - - - Hickman, Ky.**

### BERENDES'



..ALL TOYS..

### AT COST

We are closing out this line.

O o o o o o o o o o o o o  
A. M. TYLER Attorney at Law  
I am now located at Paducah, but will continue to practice in the courts of Fulton county and will be in Hickman every Monday.  
O o o o o o o o o o o o o

#### EIGHT HUNDRED MILLIONS FOR WOMEN'S HATS

It must be so, for government experts say so.

Basing their assertions on statistics gathered in all parts of the country, the government experts claim that if the birds were properly protected the insect loss on American crops would be insignificant.

But where's the connection between hats and crops?

Well, read this: "The insects kill the crops. The birds kill the insects—or would if they were not murdered to furnish feathers or their entire bodies to the trimming of women's hats."

So there you are, ladies, responsible for eight hundred million dollars loss to the United States because you must have birds on your hats. How much you lose to dago fruit sellers because you insist on wearing bananas, oranges, cherries, plums, pears, pumpkins and other articles of a vegetarian and fruit diet has not been figured out, but in all probability it ought to go four hundred million dollars more.

There is the straw in your hats which ought to be fed to mules or made into bedding for horses—how much suffering do you cause in this

manner?  
On the other hand an expert has figured out that American women pay occultists and opticians twelve hundred millions annually for treating eyes injured by looking through dotted veils hanging from their millinery, so it looks like a toss-up. Eye doctors must live.

Anyhow, who cares about crops?

#### Don't Experiment With A Xmas Gift....

Get something that has an iron-clad guarantee back of it so you will be sure it will give satisfaction. Such a gift is the

The Century Fountain Pen

It is made of the best materials, fitted with a 16 kt. Gold Pen Iridium pointed, double feed.

Cowgill's Drug Store (Incorporated)

Out in Colorado a bull broke into a Wednesday night prayer meeting and drove everybody but the preacher out in the street. The preacher kept on preaching and after a while the bull lay down by a back pew and went to sleep.

Calico at 5c a yard at A. S. Barkeet's.

### For the Hostess

Chat on Interesting Topics of Many Kinds, by a Recognized Authority

#### A Novel Shower.

A dozen girls who lived for years as neighborhood friends showered one of their number, who is to be a December bride, in this unusual manner: The hostess asked them all to meet at her house informally at two o'clock, the bride-elect was asked to come at three. In this way the hostess explained her scheme, which was as follows. She had material for each one to make the following articles: A dusting cap, three dusters, a broom bag, ironing holder, laundry bag, kitchen apron, clothespin bag, roller towel and a case to wind linen doilies on. The entire cost was added and divided equally and then each article was wrapped in tissue paper, tied with ribbon and hidden throughout the rooms. When the honored guest arrived, they chatted awhile, then the hostess announced that a fairy godmother had confided to her that there were packages of value concealed within the portals of the room, to be discovered only by a bride-elect and to the tune of bridal music. Whereupon the hostess sat down at the piano and played wedding marches while the merry little bride hunted the hidden treasures, guided by the loud or soft tones on the piano. All the packages being discovered, they were opened and the girls all set to work on which ever piece they chose. They pronounced this a utility "shower," and it certainly was practical, for the guest of honor said her mind was so in the clouds that she had never even dreamed of the articles presented. Besides it was a jolly afternoon. Refreshments were English toasted muffins, orange marmalade, preserved ginger and delicious tea, brewed by the hostess.

#### The Golden Wedding.

A fiftieth anniversary to be celebrated this month is going to be a most beautiful affair. The invitations are lettered in gold engraving and ask you to arrive between the hours of eight and ten. The decorations throughout the rooms are to be in yellow, consisting of showers of gilt wedding bells, which are to swing from every chandelier and be suspended by yellow tulle and yellow satin ribbon over the heads of the couple where they will stand to receive congratulations. This corner is to be made a perfect bower of greens studded with yellow chrysanthemums. Brass candlesticks holding yellow candles are to stand on piano, mantel, bookcases, etc. The honored bride will carry a bouquet composed of 50 yellow roses, and the refreshments are to be orange ice, New York ice cream, sunshine cake iced with yellow, and the bonbons are to be wrapped in gilt paper. Gilt bell-shaped boxes are to be given as souvenirs, bearing the monogram of the happy pair. The November stone is the topaz, and it works up beautifully into seals, with handle of gold, into watch fobs and pins. I have seen all these articles and they will go as gifts to this wedding. As every one likes to give a toast and often people are not prepared, there are to be perfectly exquisite cards passed to each one to be read aloud after refreshments. These cards are done in gold lettering, with a mother of pearl motif worked out beautifully. The choicest gems of our best writers are found on these latest creations. I must admit they are only postcards, as the reverse side shows. For want of a better name I call them

"Sentiment" cards. After the guests have paid this pretty tribute the cards are to be collected and put in a box covered with cloth of gold and presented to the aged couple.

#### A Guessing Contest.

This clever little stunt was the finale at a shower given for a November bride. A table was brought into the room having on it a lot of things, each one representing a cake; cards were passed bearing the duplicate numbers of those on the articles. Great fun was had in the guessing. Here are some of the objects, and a hostess may enlarge the list as she desires: A sponge (sponge cake), a little toy hen for "chocolate cake," a chocolate lozenge (chocolate cake), two little Cupids (angel food), a picture of a bride in full wedding costume (wedding cake), a bit of gold and silver gauze or ribbon (gold and silver cake), etc. For prizes there were recipe books and several beautifully decorated cakes.

MADAME MERRI.

#### CARE OF THE TABLE LINEN

Best Quality Will Quickly Spoil If Not Handled in the Proper Manner.

The careful keeping of table linen will mean more toward a perfect table than perhaps the quality of the linen itself. The most exquisite table linen will look no better than the poorest quality if it be thrown into a too small drawer or closet.

Just a pair of tablecloths will go further if they are kept well flattened or, better still, rolled on a pasteboard or wooden roller than a dozen ill-kept ones.

All centerpieces, if not rolled, should be spread flat, in a full-sized box or a linen-covered portfolio. The portfolio is a reliable addition to the dining room or pantry, and it may be made at home by covering two pieces of pasteboard with tan-colored linen or crash, hinging them together with coarse linen thread or with narrow ribbon strips an inch in length, so that the portfolio will hold more flat linen pieces. This, when filled, is tied together with ribbons and kept in a napkin drawer, where even the sudden rush for napkins can no longer wrinkle the embroidered linens.

#### FANCIES OF FASHION.

Skeleton bodies are popular. There is quite a fad for opal matrix. The Japanese wash silks are lovely than ever.

Foliage colorings abound. Enormous black cherries are used on some of the hats.

Coats for girls' suits are plain and almost straight.

The latest Parisian novelty is the hand-tucked waist.

Some of the standing collars are hemstitched around the top.

Belts will match the skirts instead of the waists this season.

Most of the new crepe blouses are inset with Irish crochet lace.

Pretty little neck bows are made of colored open-work embroidery.

Swiss embroidery, whether hand done or machine, gives excellent effects.

You are invited to inspect our big line of Holiday Goods.—Berendes.



Cowgill's Drug Store INCORPORATED

#### CHRISTMAS SHOPPING RULES.

Jan. 29—"The Minister's Daughters" the Lyric.

Feb. 15—"The Blind Organist," the Lyric.

April 3—"The Fighting Parson," the Lyric.

#### NOTICE.

We must insist on all accounts and notes, due us, or failing due be paid promptly, or they will be put in the hands of the officers for collection. There should be no excuse, with the existing high prices for corn and cotton.

J. F. & S. L. DODDS CO.

#### —O—

That last year's overcoat will do this season if you have Schmidt fix it up. All work guaranteed.

#### WHY NOT TRY? Popham's ASTHMA REMEDY.

Gives prompt and positive relief in every case. Sold by druggists, price \$1. Trial package by mail, 10c. Williams' Mfg. Co., Props, Cleveland.

**SOLITE** A Smokeless and Odorless high-grade Pennsylvania Lamp Oil. For sale by

C. F. SMITH & SON, WEST HICKMAN, KENTUCKY

### Take CARDUI

#### The Woman's Tonic

Cardui is a gentle tonic for young and old women. It relieves and prevents pain. It builds strength. It feeds the nerves. It helps the whole system.

Made from harmless roots and herbs, it has no bad after-effects, does not interfere with the use of any other medicine and can do you nothing but good.

Try Cardui. It will help you. Your dealer sells it.

We Buy FURS Hides and Wool Feathers, Tallow, Bassaw, Ginseng, Golden Seal, Root, May Apple, Wild Ginger, etc. We are dealers established in 1836—"Over half a century in Louisville"—and can do better for you than agents or commission merchants. Reference, any bank in Louisville. Write for weekly price list and shipping tags.

M. Sabel & Sons, 229 E. Market St., LOUISVILLE, KY.

FOR SALE—At once, 200 thousand extra fine heart cypress shingles, \$3.50 a thousand at Hickman, \$3.25 at 6 miles west of Hickman—Vates

& Kirk Shingle Co., Hickman, Ky.

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HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1909.

WHOLE NO. 2478  
ESTABLISHED IN THE YEAR 1859



This Beautiful

## \$15 DOLL

now on display in our  
show window will be  
given away

## FREE

on Christmas morning  
to the little girl  
bringing us the largest  
amount of sales tickets  
from Our Store;  
from Nov. 27th to the  
night of Dec. 24th.

ELLISON BROS.

## JUDGMENT IN YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

Christmas shopping is a pleasure nearly everyone. In a town the of Hickman it does not necessarily mean a rush or jam or crowd, but needless and in order that stores and clerks might wait upon a pleasing and satisfactory way sensible thing to do is to begin early as possible. The town people should take advantage of the morning and late afternoon and hours to do their trading, by permitting the country people have more of the merchant's attention during the remaining trading.

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Now is the time to buy Ladies' and Coat Suits cheap at Baltz & Dodds D. G. Co.

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**How He Saved It.**  
There goes Croesus," says one of citizens of ancient times to another. "Funny thing to me how that has managed to get so rich." Nothing odd about it," replies the other. "Wait a few centuries and see far he would get along, with abilities to rent at four dollars a week, summer hotels to stop at, wait to tip and all that sort of thing. It's easy to be rich now."

## Helpful Hint.

To candy pumpkin peel, take the rind of the ordinary pumpkin, cook it over night in a syrup of one pound of sugar to one pint of water, which have been added lemon peel, nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves. Next morning roll it in powdered sugar and put it in the oven. Eat it in two weeks, and let us know how it tastes. We are rather curious about it.

**Getting the New Tints.**  
Why are all the squaws crowding to the stores this week?" asks the underfoot of the native of Painted Rock. "Doing their fall shopping," is the answer. "They get a fresh can of paint every fall, to dress up with."

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Now is the time to get a new sewing machine. Do not make a mistake—get the Singer—then you are sure of getting the best.

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Our merchants should get together and make arrangements with the Hickman Ice & Coal Co., to have the ice burn all day from now until after the holidays. Christmas shoppers are protesting against the woe-lack of light on these short, dark days.

## Xmas Cards---

Something in our line to suit everybody and no one should fail to send cards to distant friends. Any size you wish—up to

HELM & ELLISON.

## Mabel Newton Assaulted

UNKNOWN NEGRO ATTEMPTS A HEINOUS CRIME IN BROAD DAYLIGHT NEAR TOWN.

While going home from the high school here, Friday afternoon, Miss Mabel Newton, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Newton, residing one mile east of town, was accosted by an unknown negro man, near S. N. Sweeney's home, just east of the corporate limits, who made an attempt to assault the unaccompanied girl.

It seems from the story told by the girl that she had met this negro buck three or four times as she went home from school, and in each instance the meeting occurred in this half sequestered part of the road. There is no doubt that the brute had been waylaying the girl, but on previous occasions something had prevented him from making an attempt to carry out his dirty purpose. On Friday afternoon, however, on account of the inclement weather there was very little passing along this road and the opportunity presented itself for him to ravish his victim. The girl saw the negro, whom she had begun to fear, coming down the road toward her, and in order to avoid meeting him, crossed to the opposite side of the road; he then crossed over to the same side. When they met, the negro, gloating with fiendish desire, and making improper gestures, made known his intentions. The frightened girl made an attempt to run by him, but was caught and the frail object struggled against the strength of the brute. The nervy girl resisted her antagonist and in the scuffle twice liberated herself from the grasp of the negro. The

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second time she did so, she ran and the negro followed, but he only pursued her a short distance. Some boys were seen down the road and it is thought he became frightened and gave up the chase on this account.

The young lady ran home and informed her parents of what had happened.

It is hardly necessary to say that the irate father and posse of citizens and officers were soon scouring the vicinity where the assault occurred. The angry mob searched for the would-be rapist all night and all next day in a down-pour of rain. Every negro that answered the description

of the negro wanted was arrested and taken before the girl for identification, but of the twenty or more caught in the drag-net, none proved to be the one wanted, and were released. All efforts to locate him, up to the hour of going to press, have proved fruitless. No clue can be had from any source. The last seen or heard of him, he was going toward East Hickman. His identity is a mystery, as no one can be found, white or black, who knows his name, where he worked or from whence he came. Yet, a number of people remember seeing him at times in this vicinity. He is described as follows:

About 18 or 20 years old, about five feet six inches tall, weight about 135 pounds, copper color, has a down cast look or squinch-eyed, narrow faced, had on a short coat with snag holes in back, dark cap, very tight fitting pants, coarse heavy shoes.

Mr. Newton has sent out cards to officers in every town in this section, offering a reward of \$100 for his arrest.

Tuesday a letter was received by Mr. Newton, addressed to Miss Mabel, from Jackson, Miss., which, from its peculiar text, may prove to throw some light on the case. This is being investigated.

The Courier will just say this: If the guilty negro is caught, he is more than likely to take the usual route of such transgressors of social law. There is an abundance of hemp and determination here for all such catalogued as him, and Judge Lynch will mete out justice in short order if given half a chance.

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A gift which reflects credit upon the one who selects it.

SMITH & AMBERG



## ONE XMAS GIFT

Should be a Box of

**Interwoven  
TOE AND HEEL**  
REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.  
**MEN'S HOSE**

FOUR PAIRS (Assorted Colors or Black) in a special HOLIDAY BOX, skillfully reproduced in colors from a painting in oil by a well-known artist.

The socks are known the world over as the best obtainable for the price. They look well, fit well and have no equal for wear.

A SPECIAL BOX AND FOUR PAIRS \$1.00

A gift which reflects credit upon the one who selects it.



This Fine

## 1000 Shot Air Gun

now on display in our show window will be given away

## FREE

on Christmas morning  
to the little boy  
bringing us the largest  
amount of sales tickets  
from Our Store,  
from Nov. 27th to the  
night of Dec. 24th

ELLISON BROS.

## CAN'T MAKE THEM ANY WORSE THAN THEY ARE.

The next Legislature has the satisfaction of knowing that it can tackle our present tax laws without the slightest possible chance of making them any worse than they already are. Of all the contemptible, mean, unjust, idiotic, hypocrisy-breeding, poor-man-crushing and rich-man-exempting system of taxation in this great land of ours, Kentucky has it. It looks like the masterpieces turned out by a convention of the criminal insane.—Todd County Times.

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Christmas cigars packed in holly boxes, made in Hickman, any size, from \$1 up, at the Hickman Cigar Factory.

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People of this section were surprised to find a half-inch of snow on the ground Monday morning. Snow continued to fall during the greater part of the day, but melted about as fast as it fell. This is the first touch of real winter weather we have had. Only last week roses were blooming profusely out in the open yards.

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Give your smoker friends a box of Hickman made cigars—every one guaranteed. Buy them fresh from the factory, one block west of the ice factory.

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Foreman Baker and crew, of Louisville, arrived in Hickman, Tuesday, to begin the structural iron work of the new boiler and engine room at the Mengel factory. The new building will be built right over the old one, and the old one removed when it is completed.

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Percy Jones, the hustling cafe man, returned Saturday from Cincinnati, where he attended a convention of the Ice Cream Manufacturers' Association.

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See our Christmas Umbrellas.—Baltz & Dodds D. G. Co.

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"Gen. Barnes," an aged negro living east of town and known to most every Hickman citizen, died Tuesday. He was about 90 years old.

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We are selling all Ladies Hats and Coat Suits at big reductions.—Baltz & Dodds D. G. Co.

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Xmas Drugs---

—of course. There will be lots of need for Drugs and Medicines even in these gay times, so don't forget our very complete stock.

HELM & ELLISON

## A Little World of Christmas

### Gifts For Men

Here are gifts that the men want, because they combine utility with their other desirable features. The Baltzer & Dodds Dry Goods Co. has scores of things that men need and that men will appreciate. This partial list ought to suggest something to every woman who expects to make some man happy at Xmas:



|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Suspenders           | Suit Cases     |
| Arm Bands            | Over Gaiters   |
| Swell Neckwear       | Handbags       |
| Mufflers             | Umbrellas      |
| Silk Mufflers        | Hats and Caps  |
| Fancy Vests          | Hunting Coats  |
| Linen Handkerchiefs  | Shoe Brushes   |
| Silk Handkerchiefs   | Hair Brushes   |
| Fancy Hose           | Cuff Buttons   |
| Underwear            | Stick Pins     |
| Sweaters             | Collars        |
| Hose Supporters      | Rain Coats     |
| Overalls and Jumpers | Sweater Coats  |
| Overcoats            | Wool Shirts    |
| Swell Pants          | Fancy Shirts   |
| Shoes and Leggins    | Collar Buttons |
| House Slippers       | Hunting Boots  |



Sole Agents for

**HAWE'S**

\$3.00

**HATS**

—And—

**Eclipse Shoes**

FOR MEN

Baltzer & Dodds Dry Goods Company

(INCORPORATED)

PILLOW TRIAL WILL BE HELD  
DECEMBER 22.

We are informed by Judge Naylor, that by an agreement reached by Robbins, Thomas and Carr, attorneys for the defendant, and Smith and Roney, attorneys of the commonwealth, the preliminary hearing of John Pillow, now in the Hickman jail on a charge of murder in the first degree, will be held Wednesday, Dec. 22nd.

It is not believed that either side will show their hand during the examining trial, but it is probable that the defendant will introduce such testimony as might cause Judge Naylor to allow his release on bond. Pillow states that he wants his trial in January and if he is bound over, which he doubtless will be, both sides desire the earliest possible trial, which would be during the January term of the circuit court, beginning Monday, January 10th.

SOMETHING

NEW

Don't Fail to See Our  
Great Line

Rochester  
Ware

HEAVY NICKEL PLATE

Nothing prettier or more serviceable for Christmas giving. Let us show you the line today, embracing

- Chafing Dishes
- Percolators
- Sugar Sets
- Teapots
- Butter Dishes
- Syrup Stands
- Serving Dishes
- Fruit Dishes
- Ladles
- Dippers
- Celery Dishes
- Coffee Pats
- Waiters, etc.

Hickman Hardware Co.  
(Incorporated)

The river has been full of floating ice several days.

Pope Herring was in Union City one day last week on business.

New line Trusses and Suspensories. See our line.—Helm & Ellison.

Will Hubbard and wife left Tuesday for Fort Worth, Texas. Mrs. Hubbard has been here visiting her sister, Mrs. T. T. Swayne, and mother, Mrs. Pope Herring, for some time.

The Hickman public schools will close next Thursday, Dec. 23, for the Christmas holidays, to begin again on Janutry 3rd. This will give the teachers and pupils a ten days' rest.

Question: If a man steals \$3 worth of chickens and he be sent to the penitentiary for five years, how long should a cashier who steals \$35,000 be sent for?

In the circuit court at Mayfield, special Judge Johnson granted Police Officer John Lewis bail in the sum of \$10,000, which he readily gave. Lewis is charged with wilful murder, having shot James Puckett while the latter was running to escape arrest for bootlegging whiskey.

The Round Table

Alex. Naifeh spent Sunday in Fulton.

Jack Newton was in Union City last week.

Curlin's flowers are extra nice for Xmas.

Dr. C. W. Curlin went to the Lake Sunday.

T. F. Benton was in Union City last week.

Don't forget to renew your subscription.

E. S. Bushart was here from Nashville Sunday.

John Hagan spent a few days at home this week.

A. S. Barkett spent a few days last week in Fulton.

See pot flowers at Ellison Bros. Dec. 20th.—H. E. Curlin.

Mrs. R. T. Tyler returned Tuesday from a visit in Louisville.

A. M. Tyler was here from Paducah Monday attending court.

Mrs. Lon Ray and son are visiting her mother near Mayfield.

Arthur Shaw, of State Line, was here Monday on business.

The new concrete street crossings are doing good service now.

House slippers for ladies and gentlemen at Smith & Amberg's.

S. L. Dodds went to the Lake this week for a few days' shooting.

Robert Saddler spent Tuesday and Wednesday at his home at Martin.

D. B. Wilson is at Mayfield attending a banquet given by the K. K. K.

Plenty fresh cut flowers at all times.—Postma, the florist, Union City

The county clerks of Kentucky will hold their 1910 convention in Paducah.

See the new moving pictures at the Lyric every night this week—5c and 10c.

Rev. Stockton, of Covington, Tenn., preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Harvey Hogg, the well known cigar man, of Nashville, was in Hickman Monday.

Rupert, son of Joe Ballard, suffered a relapse of typhoid fever, and is quite sick.

Arthur Ballard and Miss Beulah Carter, of Bardwell, were married in Fulton Sunday.

West Hickman has the poorest lights and walks of any place in the state. And why?

Sam Salmon came up from Gold Dust, Tenn., this week and spent a few days at home.

Our small orders for flowers receive the same attention as larger order.—H. E. Curlin.

Purity, accuracy and prompt service is the motto of our drug department.—Hickman Drug Co.

Men will find something interesting in our clothing ad "For Men Only." Read it. Smith & Amberg.

Mrs. S. M. Hubbard, of Hickman, visited Mrs. M. B. McConnell last Friday and Saturday.—Arlington Courier.

Among other things to remember during the Christmas holidays is the moving pictures at the Lyric every night.

Prices reduced on the largest and most stylish stock of millinery shown in Hickman. Read Smith & Amberg's ad in this issue.

Again we say Hickman needs some organization about her fire fighting forces. It's a wonder that we do as well as we do.

Miss Hazel Jones, daughter of Leon Jones, a prominent business man of Fulton, is dead after six weeks' illness of typhoid fever.

Any man will appreciate a Xmas box of Interwoven Hosiery, four colors to the box or solid black as you may desire. Smith & Amberg.

Xmas Fountain Pens makes a high quality, lasting present. Waterman's Ideal is the best Fountain Pen made. Every pen is guaranteed. \$2.50 to \$5.00.

HELM & ELLISON

# What to Give a Man or Boy

They all want useful gifts. What nicer present could you give a man than one of our late styles in

## Hart Schaffner & Marx

fine suits and overcoats.

The longer he wears it the more he will appreciate the gift—all wool, perfectly tailored and latest styles.

Prices \$18.50 to \$25.00

Other makes \$7.50 to \$15

## For the Boy



### A "Perfection" Suit or Overcoat

will give best pleasure and comfort. Suits in Knickerbocker and Knee Pants styles, solid and fancy colorings, are well made and right-up-to-now in styles.

Prices \$1.50 to \$7.50

### Overcoats

Buy the boy an Overcoat and he will remember you every cold day. We have them for the big boys and the little boys at, from

\$2.50 to \$12.50



### This List Will Help You Decide

- Suspenders, Neckwear
- Handkerchiefs, Hosiery
- Gloves, Umbrellas, Hats
- Traveling Bags, Shoes
- House Slippers, Sweaters
- Coat Sweaters, Bath Robes
- Cuff Buttons, Scarf Pins
- Underwear, Shirts, Caps
- Leggings, Suits, Overcoats
- Suit Cases, Leather Goods
- Scarfs, Mufflers, Collars, and
- Numerous Other Articles

## Smith & Amberg

### MUST PAY.

All past due accounts and notes, if not paid before Jan. 1, 1910, will be put out for collection.

### Hickman Hardware Co.

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A year's subscription to the Hickman Courier would be an acceptable and appreciated Christmas present to some friend or member of the family who has left here and is interested in the affairs of Hickman. The paper costs but \$1 and goes to them every week as a reminder of your thoughtfulness.

Monday evening, Miss Lizzie Amberg entertained a few friends at Rook. There were three tables. An appetizing salad course was served. The guests were Mesdames T. A. Ledford, Clifford Adams, C. G. Schlenker, J. T. Stephens, H. L. Amberg, and Misses Mollie Bourne, Nell Rogers, Homer Green, Marie Brevard, Julia Jackson and Clois Ledford.

In a decision rendered Friday by the Court of Appeals of Kentucky the Fulton Electric Light and Power Plant in Fulton, for more than four years the cause of bitter litigation in the various district and state courts of Kentucky, the order of Circuit Judge R. J. Bugg that the plant be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder, was affirmed, and the source of electric lighting and power in that city will go under the hammer within the next few months.

Hot Drinks of all kinds at Cowgill's Drug Store.

H. T. Beale, Notary Public, at W. A. Dodds' Lumber Office.

You are invited to inspect our big line of Holiday Goods.—Berendes.

See our line of Winter Lap Robes. They are good ones.—Hickman Hardware Co.

Smith & Amberg are showing some new patterns in rugs and art squares.

Telephone your grocery order to No. 38—the Old Reliable—all goods delivered.

Telephone your orders for cut flowers to H. E. Curlin right now. Orders must be in by the 20th. Phone No. 30.

Dr. S. K. Davidson, of this city, and one of the best dentists in the state, is thinking of locating in Memphis. We trust he will change his mind.

S. L. Dodds, winner of the Southern handicap and nimrod for keeps, bagged 65 ducks at the Lake this week. If S. L. should make as much ado proportionately over these 65 as some folks do over a half-dozen—what a long tail our cat would have.

A night school has been established at the Kentucky penitentiary with Henry E. Youtsey, convicted of complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel, as principal. Only twenty-nine convicts matriculated, although 225 applied. None of them can read or write.

### HOUSE BURNS IN WEST HICKMAN TUESDAY NIGHT.

The four-room residence, northwest of Metheny's store, owned by Mrs. Bella Case, was destroyed by fire, Tuesday night about 7:30 o'clock.

The residence was occupied by Lou Ray, who lost all of his household goods, valued at \$500, and carried no insurance.

Just how the fire originated is not known. Mr. Ray's wife was away from home on a visit, and he was up town when the fire was discovered, but had not been gone over 20 minutes. He says he left a small fire in the heating stove, but does not think it could have caught from this source.

Several other residences near this one were threatened, and only by hard work were they saved.

The house which burned was valued at about \$1,000.

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Mrs. Ed Prather entertained the members of the Embroidery Club last night at her home on Main Street. After the club meeting, delicious salad course was served.

The guest list included a number of friends and neighbors whose husbands are away you expect to contribute to support of yourself and family.

## IDEAL GIFTS

Considering the meager amount of money involved there is no Christmas remembrance so sure to please 99 out of every 100 men as something smart to wear,

### BUT IT MUST BE SMART

And the men themselves, being familiar with the class and distinction of **MILLET & ALEXANDER** raiment, will naturally appreciate the gift all the more if it bears the quality stamp of this house.

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| FANCY HANDKER'FS                                       | 10c to 25c   | FANCY HOSIERY   | 25c to 50c   |
| SILK "   | 10c to 25c   | HIGH GRADE CAPS | 75c to 1.50  |
| REEFER MUFFLERS  | 1.00 to 3.00 | DRESS SHIRTS    | 1.00 to 1.75 |
| KNIT MUFFLERS  | 75c          | HATS            | 1.00 to 3.00 |
| SUSPENDERS, in fancy boxes                             | 65c          | SCARF PINS      | 50c to 1.00  |
| CUFF BUTTONS   | 50c to 1.00  | UNDERWEAR       | 50c to 1.50  |
| WHITE HANDKERCHIEFS, packed 3, 4 and 6 in fancy boxes. |              |                 |              |

### MATCHED SETS

Containing Tie, Handkerchief and Sox 1.75

Matched Sets--Tie and Sox 1.00

Nicely Boxed.

# Millet & Alexander

Men's Head-to-Foot Outfitters

PAUL E SHAW, OF STATE LINE,

### ALLEGED NEGRO MURDERER IN JAIL HERE.

A surprise wedding took place near Union City, Sunday afternoon, in which Paul E. Shaw, of State Line, played the part of groom.

The wedding, of course, was a quiet affair, only a few of the immediate relatives being present, when Miss Virginia Thompson became the wife of Mr. Shaw at the home of the bride's parents, one mile north of Union City. Dr. J. B. Moody, of Martin, Tenn., performed the ceremony. It was a part of the couple's plans to leave the same day on a wedding trip for Mobile, Ala., New Orleans and other southern cities, but owing to the disagreeable weather, they went to State Line, where they spent Monday with Mrs. H. M. Shaw, and left on their trip Tuesday.

Mrs. Shaw is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Thompson, a well known farmer of Obion county, and is a niece of J. A. Thompson, cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank of this city. She is well known and popular in the social circles of Union City, and is a lady of culture and charming personality.

Paul (the rascal that he is to deceive us in this matter) is a good fellow—the kind that any girl does well to tie to, but we will not mention all these good things now. We had intended to spread ourselves in magnifying his scholarly attainments, high moral standing in the community and his fulfillment of all the requirements of good citizenship, but he has snubbed our confidence. He is one of the most progressive farmers in Fulton county, always right up to the scratch but we are not even going to mention it. Our years of close friendship and high esteem merited better treatment. Only last week he was telling us of his lonely state and bemoaning his failures in matrimonial lines, but we attributed his misfortune to lack of courage to stick to 'em, and extended the undeserving boy our sympathy but right then he was on the very brink of wedlock.

The happy young pair will be at home at State Line after December 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw were the recipients of an elegant array of wedding gifts.

The "Great Religious Weekly" joins their many friends in extending wishes for a future of much happiness.

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Beeler Mullins and Miss Hettie Gray, of Wingo, were married in Fulton Sunday.

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HELM & ELLISON.

### NEW STEEL BRIDGE NOW ON THE GROUNDS.

Ed Corbin, of Mayfield, was found dead on the rail road track at Rives, Tenn., Saturday. It was thought that he had been killed by the cars until an examination showed four bullet holes in the body. A negro bum was found on the freight train in Fulton, armed with a big revolver and it is thought he is the murderer of the white man.

According to the story of the negro now in the toils, he and the white man were riding in a coal car together when a third person, an unknown negro, boarded the car and almost without warning shot the white tramp to death, the latter falling off the train under the wheels, but the prisoner's stories conflict to such a marked degree that every evidence points to his having committed the ghastly deed.

Officers Carter and Gholson brought the negro to Hickman Wednesday and landed him in the county jail to await an examination.

Corbin was an ex-convict and undesirable citizen and had been ordered to leave Mayfield.

Trees in English Town. The trees in the streets form a special feature of Folkestone, England. About 4,000 in number, they include handsome horse chestnuts, elms, planes, sycamores and limes. In Castle Hill avenue, a hundred feet wide, with four rows of trees, the horse chestnuts make a fine show, especially at the blossoming period.

We want every Courier reader to see our exclusive line of 1910 Holiday Calendars, presenting a variety of picturesque views of Hickman. The calendars are so arranged that the pictures may be changed without any trouble if you desire to do so. All finished in holiday effects and heavy durable card. Prices range from 25c up. For friends that must be "remembered" without a large outlay of money, these are just the thing. See them on display at Helm & Ellison's Drug Store.

For first-class cleaning and pressing, go to Schmidt's.

Xmas Cards—

Something in our line to suit everybody and no one should fail to send cards to distant friends. Any price you wish—lc up.

HELM & ELLISON.

### BETTER THAN TABLE CANDLES

New Electrical Device for Utility and Decoration Without Wires for Dining Room Use.

Every woman has realized for some time past that the use of the candle as a table decoration was attended by danger and other shortcomings and a substitute has been eagerly sought. The solution of the problem has not been found in electricity, for the reason that lamps of this character lacked the feature of portability and their use also required the presence of wires piercing the cloths and tables. A New York man has recently designed a piece of table decoration which takes the place of the candles on the dining room table in the home as well as the hotel and cafe.

The device is a pretty design embracing a silver receptacle capable of holding a single storage cell. The battery stores sufficient energy to keep

REPRESENTATIVE MOORE WILL INTRODUCE GOOD BILL.

At the Fourth Annual Farmers' Institute held at Elizabethtown, Ky., on Feb. 24-25-26, 1909, the following resolution was offered by John A. McClure, director of the third district farmers' institutes, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we urge upon the coming meeting of the State Legislature the passage of a bill looking to the elimination of the contract system in the State penitentiary, and that this labor be employed by the State in quarrying and crushing limestone to be used by the farmers of the State to correct acidity in the soil, and in the construction of better roads in the Commonwealth.

It is understood that Hon. F. S. Moore, representative elect of this district, will introduce a bill at the coming session of the Legislature, to meet the demands of the representative farmers of the state as embodied in Mr. McClure's resolution. If he succeeds, and judging from Mr. Moore's persistency along progressive lines, it will be a measure that will not only make our new representatives immensely popular, but insure cheaper material for good roads and hence less effort to secure this desired end.

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Mrs. S. B. Brown, of Hobart, Okla., writes of the accidental killing of her nephew, W. D. Lunsford, near that city, Dec. 6. The unfortunate man went out hunting, telling his wife he would be back in a little while. Night came and a searching party was sent to look for him. He was found with his head blown off, and the coroner's investigation proved that he had accidentally discharged his gun, killing him instantly. He formerly lived at Troy, Tenn.

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When the season opens I want to build your house. If you want expert workmanship I can fill the bill. I also have for sale some choice lots in the Henry Addition at a bargain. This addition will be built up in the spring and an investment there will prove profitable. It is to be strictly a white man's neighborhood, as no negroes will be allowed to build there.—B. S. Elliott, at Hickman Job Shop.

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Elder Briggance will fill his regular appointment at Mt. Hermon next Sunday. This is his last appointment for this year, though he will preach for the congregation again next year. A full attendance of the members is desired.

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LADIES! Don't fail to see our handsome line of nickel-plated Rochester Ware. It is simply the real thing for serviceable Christmas gifts.—Hickman Hardware Co.

Methodist Church services: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. You are cordially invited to be present.

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### XMAS CANDIES!

No one thinks of Christmas without Candy. We could not. See the big stock we have and you will know what Candy and Xmas mean. NUNNALLY'S High Grade Xmas Package Candy 40c to \$5.00.

Helm & Ellison

You will like yourself better and enjoy Christmas more if you wear Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes, purchased from Smith & Amberg.

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Miss Estelle Reneau entertained a few friends Tuesday evening. A delightful time was had. Refreshments were enjoyed.

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# "FOR MEN ONLY"

## EXTRA SPECIAL

Choice of a large line of Men's regular \$12.50 to \$15 Suits at

\$7.50

The Styles are not quite up-to-date, but the quality is better than you can buy now at the regular market prices . . . .

SMITH & AMBERG

### Xmas Fountain Pen

makes a high quality lasting present. Waterman's Ideal is the best Fountain Pen made. Every pen guaranteed. \$2.50 to \$5.00.

HELM & ELLISON

\$14,400 LAND DEAL MADE WEDNESDAY.

The Hickman Courier Realty Co., sold yesterday for Ellison Bros., a fine 360 acre farm in the bottom, to J. P. Thomas, a wealthy and influential farmer residing on route 2, the purchase price being \$14,400.

This is one of the best tracts in the bottom, is six miles from town, and is protected by the new government levee.

The place, one section of which was formerly owned by N. J. Corum, is partially improved and Mr. Thomas will put a force of men to work clearing the timber land.

In two more years it will bring \$60 to \$75 an acre, if the owner cares to dispose of it.

Any man who knows will bear us out in saying there is no better investment to be had around here than bottom farms.

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### DOINGS AT DORENA.

Mrs. Pearl Maddox is sick at this writing.

Everybody is busy preparing for Christmas.

Leslie Stoker spent Tuesday night in Hickman.

Mrs. Sarah Hall was in Hickman Tuesday shopping.

Dorena was visited by a light snow the first of the week.

J. W. Ward, of Hickman, was here Tuesday buying hogs.

Several are preparing to go to Hickman soon to see Santa Claus.

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# Old Santa Claus

Begs to Announce that his Stock of  
**TOYS**  
**AND HOLIDAY GOODS**

Is now on display at

**ELLISON BROS.**

Where they will be sold in connection with their Closing Out Sale at extraordinary low prices. He will show toys of all kind, such as  
**Air Ships, Aeroplanes, Dolls of all sorts, Furniture, Wagons and Carts, Drums and Horns, Iron Toys, Tin Toys, Trains, Stoves, Ranges, Everything in Toys That are New**  
**HOLIDAY GOODS IN HOLLY BOXES**

Fancy Imported China Ware, Plates, Bowls, Salads, Cups and Saucers, Vases of all kinds  
Cut Glass, Hand Painted China, Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Shaving Sets, Fine Paper,  
Manicure Sets, Pictures, Nut Bowls, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Gift Books, Mirrors,  
Comb and Brush Sets, Manicure Sets, Glove Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, Smokers' Sets

And a Big Line of

**LITTLE NOVELTIES THAT ARE NEW AT LITTLE PRICE**

**ELLISON BROS. - Hickman, Ky.**

Monday night H. E. Culin entertained a bunch of "stags" at progressive "500." Cigars were enjoyed during the games. Refreshments were served. Those present were: A. E. DeBow, B. G. Hale, Jr., W. C. Reed, J. W. Meacham, W. G. Dornan, Gus Alexander, Cowgill Rogers, Dr. C. M. Blackford, J. C. Sexton.

Don't fail to see our big line of Christmas Goods. Presents for old and young can be selected from our stock.—Berendes.

The White City Comedy Co. of Chicago, traveling in their private boat, played at the Lyric in this city Friday, Saturday and Monday nights, but owing to the inclement weather, failed to get much of an audience. The show is pronounced by those who saw it as one of the best attractions in that line ever seen in Hickman.

Gents' furnishings—underwear, hats caps, shirts, hose, etc., in great variety at Rice's Shoe Store.

*Big Sale on  
Handpainted and  
Japanese  
..CHINA..*

A large assortment of the finest china ever shown in the city, 3.50 and \$3 values now on sale at—

**\$1.98**

See Our Window

**Book & Novelty Store**  
**J. E. NAYLOR & CO.**

#### HONOR ROLL OF PUPILS OF HICKMAN COLLEGE.

At the recent examinations just held at Hickman College, the following pupils soared up into the bright realms of honor and renown:

##### Seniors.

Lois Bartlett ..... 96.5  
Magalee Rice ..... 90.8  
Leah Barry ..... 89.8

##### Juniors.

Ola Monan ..... 93  
Virginia Royster ..... 91.5  
Elise Luten ..... 89.8

##### 10th Grade.

Lon Naylor ..... 91.5  
Nannie Smith ..... 90.2  
Pansy Weatherly ..... 88  
Cecile Barnes ..... 85.5  
Grace Kimerer ..... 79.5

##### 9th Grade.

Lillie Hackett ..... 98.8  
James McGehee ..... 98  
Lillie Coffey ..... 96.6  
Irene Thompson ..... 95.6  
Miriam Luten ..... 95.4  
Lewis Lunsford ..... 94

##### 8th Grade.

Gladys Caldwell ..... 99.2  
Roy Journey ..... 96.6  
Fern Bryan ..... 96  
Lesta Pierce ..... 92.2  
Clois Ledford ..... 91  
Dee McNeill ..... 90

##### 7th Grade.

Grace Campbell ..... 96.8  
Baltzer Dodds ..... 96.4  
Marshall McDaniel ..... 96  
Fay Glaser ..... 91.8  
Lexie Rice ..... 90  
Lola Hammond ..... 88

##### 6th Grade.

Milton Hackett ..... 97.8  
Emma Ben Mayers ..... 97.7  
Scott Collins ..... 96.4  
Harvey Collins ..... 96.1  
Porter Pierce ..... 95.8  
Dee Reid ..... 94.4

##### 5th Grade.

Mary Tempa Burnett ..... 97.2  
Mildred Caldwell ..... 96.1  
Willie May Reeser ..... 95.4  
Nannie Higgins ..... 95  
Elizabeth Reeves ..... 94.4  
Vera Smith ..... 94.4

##### 4th Grade.

Annie Russell Moore ..... 93.6  
Claude Owens ..... 93  
Velma Swift ..... 92.8  
Estelle Johnson ..... 92.5  
Caryl Peck ..... 92.3

#### Xmas Cigars---

A fine stock that will at once appeal to ladies who have a present in mind. We will help ladies make a choice.

**HELM & ELLISON**

Robert Hughes ..... 92

##### 3rd Grade.

Anita Dodds ..... 96.6  
Anna Lynn Dodds ..... 95.2  
Christine Smothermon ..... 95  
Helen Rice ..... 93.2  
Reeves Erwin ..... 93.2  
Thelma Hunt ..... 93

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#### NAYLOR IS APPOINTED DISTRICT MANAGER.

J. Edgar Naylor, proprietor of Naylor's Book Store, of this city, has accepted the place of District Manager of the National Life Insurance Co. His territory will cover Western Kentucky, and he expects to go on the road the first of January. He will continue, however, to run his book store, which will be in charge of Miss Ethel Naylor when he is absent.

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Pres. Taft's recommendation to Congress that contributions to the election of its members be made public comes in pretty well as one of the merry jokes of the season, and is duly received by all as such.

#### DEMONSTRATION AT HICKMAN HARDWARE CO.

The Hickman Hardware Company is having a demonstration this week of the cooking of the Majestic Range. Coffee and biscuits are being served every day this week from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Great crowds are visiting the store each day and everybody is invited to drop in and partake of a cup of hot coffee and biscuits. Tomorrow will be "cake day" when several people will be permitted to get on a cake, mashing it flat. The cake will then rise to its normal size showing the wonders in cooking done on the Majestic.

Frank G. Pepper has charge of the demonstration.

C. Tappan, an expert cigar maker, of Hopkinsville, has been employed in the cigar factory of W. M. Cason. The fact that Mr. Cason is having to employ more help is good evidence of the growing popularity of the Hickman product.

Give your home man the preference—buy Hickman made cigars. A nice assortment, all size boxes.—W. M. Cason.

J. F. Mosier was in Union City on business Monday.

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John R. Jones, who was selected some time ago for census supervisor for the First Kentucky district, was given the appointment this week. Mr. Jones lives at Princeton.

#### Xmas Gifts---

That's a broad subject, but our stock covers it thoroughly. Think of a Kodak or Camera for Christmas—\$1 to \$10.

**HELM & ELLISON**

#### WILL GO IN DRY GOODS BUSINESS IN HICKMAN.

D. J. Leichtman, of Nashville, is here this week looking for a building in which to open a dry goods store. It is likely that he will succeed in getting the W. A. Dodds building, now occupied by the Home Furniture Co., by making a deal with Cotton & Adams who have the building leased for a term of three years. Cotton & Adams expected to occupy this place themselves but are now figuring on the Farmers Hardware Co. building. If these plans are consummated, Mr. Leichtman will open up his business here some time in January. He is said to be a progressive man, having been in this line of business for a number of years.

We are glad to welcome him to the best town in the United States.

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Spend a little of your money for some of the Christmas anti-tuberculosis stamps, and thereby enlist in one of the greatest battles ever waged for suffering humanity.

## COLD WEATHER



Cold weather invariably means coughs and throat troubles, and a cough once started may easily terminate seriously if not checked. As the best cough remedy we heartily recommend

#### Tar Pine

This syrup quickly, surely and safely relieves all coughs, colds, bronchitis, hoarseness and other throat and lung troubles. It is pure and sure, and pleasant to take. Use it and be safe.

**HELM & ELLISON**

# FURNITURE FOR THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT

W. F. Montgomery

Courier is not composed and in a single day. Therefore, when it is possible, assist us by getting your news or advertisements to us the week. Otherwise it is very difficult to cover the late and get our paper out on time, member, we always want the and if you have a bit of the and can't send it in the first week, send it later.

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#### FARM LOANS !

Authorized to take application for loans in Obion and Weakley Co., Tenn. and in Fulton County until January 1, 1910. cent of the full cash value of will be loaned. Loans made of \$1,000 or more on tracts of FIFTY ACRES OR MORE for ten year's time, with private borrower of paying same after in full or making any size payment desired at intervals months after the expiration of year, the interest being stopped partial payments made.

SPRADLIN, Attorney-at-law, Union City, Tenn.

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Yale football team cleared \$20. the season's receipts of \$30.

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#### BOTTOM FARM CHEAP.

The Courier Realty Co. has for a limited time a nice bottom farm that can be bought for about \$42 an acre. It contains a little over 92 acres, six miles from town. Adjoining land is selling at from \$55 to \$60, but is no better. Good reason for selling. Apply at Courier office.

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"Turn that paper the other side out," said a lady in a Hickman dry goods store one day last week, as the clerk was putting up her purchase. "I don't want to be a walking advertisement for your store. I read the papers as all intelligent people ought to do, and I think in them is the place to advertise your business. Instead of asking customers to carry your sign around with each purchase of goods, go tell the people through the papers what you have to sell and how you sell it."

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#### RURAL PHONE PATRONS.

The management of the Hickman Independent Home Telephone Co. wishes to announce that they are now ready to make connection with all country lines on either side of Hickman. The company furnishes all equipment in the city and connects with your lines at the limits for \$15 per line and charges 75c a month for their exchange service. See A. W. Davis, Manager.

All kinds of meats at Moore's grocery.

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If there was no hole in the doughnut there would be more dyspepsia in it than there is.

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The crops of Burley tobacco in Kentucky is estimated at 200,000,000 pounds, the largest crop ever grown in the state. The prices average about 14 cents a pound.

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Telephone 84 or 113 and let's talk it over.—Schmidt.

## Hat full of Coal lasts all night in Cole's Hot Blast

Your fire is never out!

A hat full of coal in a Cole's Hot Blast burns all night, and in the morning instead of building the fire, shivering in a chilled room and waiting for the fire to heat up, you open a draft only.

And there is fuel enough left to warm up nicely.

We guarantee a saving in fuel of a third. This is a conservative guarantee. You really save one-half to 60% off.

Even Heat Day and Night — Fire Never Out.

Hickman Hardware Co.  
(INCORPORATED)



your winter's fuel bill by using this stove.

Let us show you this remarkable heater — this clean stove — this continuous fire holder — this expense cutter — this beauty.

#### Cole's Hot Blast \$12 Up

Take note that this heater burns soft coal, hard coal, wood, slack, lignite or cobs — and we guarantee it against any heater, size for size, at twice or three times its price.

Ours is the Original Cole's Hot Blast, with the name Cole's on the feed door.

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## CHRISTMAS REUNION

### HOW TO MAKE THE HOLIDAY PARTIES MOST ENJOYABLE.

A Number of Games That Will Prove Pleasing for Both Old and Young at the Yuletide Season.

The wealth of new games is so great of late years that the entertainer is apt to overlook the splendid old games, many of which have never been surpassed, if, indeed, we can equal them. Old favorites are especially good for Christmas reunion gatherings because in most cases they require no advance preparation and are easily grasped by the few to whom they are unfamiliar.

One such sport is that called "acting adjectives." To play it one member of the company leaves the room, and each person remaining agrees upon a certain adjective, which he or she will act out when called on to do so. When the retiring player is recalled he asks someone in the group a question. This player must then answer in a way which will illustrate the adjective assigned to him. Thus, a player who has taken the word "noisy" will bawl his reply, and at the same time contrive to let a book fall to the floor with a loud clap.

The man or girl representing "tactful" must reply in as few words as possible, and so forth. As soon as the guesser has divined one of the concealed words he takes chair in the circle, while the person whose adjective he guessed withdraws from the room.

"Magic music" makes a lively number in the program, played in this way. One person is chosen to hide the coin or ring. All the rest withdraw, with the exception of the person who will play the piano. The person holding the ring then hides it, acquainting the musician with its whereabouts, and the company is readmitted.

The players now arrange themselves in a row, each one with his hands on the shoulders of the person in front of him. One player, the leader, heads the procession. When the music starts the line of boys and girls goes off in search of the ring, guided in this by the music. This, of course, plays loud and cheerily as the object is approached, slow and dolefully when the procession is headed in the wrong direction, and faintest when they are furthest from the prize.

"Thought transference" is not precisely a game or contest, but there are few better ways to interest a party of guests, and whatever the psychologic explanation of the phenomenon, it never fails to create amusement. To arrange it the person to be "subject" is sent out of the room. Two players are appointed to transfer the thought, and these decide upon what simple stunt the player will be required to perform. Thus, he may be required to pick up a book, to arrange a cushion, or to touch the keys of the piano. The rest of the company is informed what the required stunt will be.

The "subject" is then readmitted, and those who are to guide him stand on each side and hold his hands. These thought transfers, as well as the rest of the company, then center their minds upon the thing to be done. In eight cases out of ten the "subject" then wends his way, still holding the hands of the other two, towards the appointed object, and does what is required of him.

It is most exciting. The audience will probably demand several "subjects" and experiments before their curiosity is sated.

A new game which will appeal to active, lively girls, as well as to the boys, is color base. This is a splendid frolic for the hall or living room, and can be played in quite close quarters.

Each member of the company but one is given certain color or shade, which will represent his personal safety, since, when standing with a foot or hand on something of that color he cannot be tagged. The remaining player is made "catch" and pursues the fugitives around the room. He must remember the colors given to each, as the pursued, when in a tight fix, will try to deceive him by touching some color not theirs.

When the catch succeeds in catching some one off base and tagging him he changes places with the person caught. It adds to the fun to give the catch a long, flexible stick with a handle of raw cotton dipped in flour tied to one end, with which to tag.

Now for a sit-down game while legs and arms are resting and players take breath. A good one is a contest seeing who can write down the longest list of words suggesting or belonging to the Yuletide season. Pass around blank cards and pencils and allow 15 minutes for working up the lists. Such a list will include the words, holly, mistletoe, St. Nick, Christmas carol, waits, yule, yule log, gift, greeting, Christmas box, snapdragon, holidays and a long list of related terms. Give a prize to the player whose list proves longest.

To carry the fun a bit further on, get two pictures as large as possible, representing the Christmas saint "Ads," or illustrations from back numbers of periodicals will do. Cut each picture into six or eight pieces and hide the pieces in odd nooks and corners around the room. When the signal is given players hurry away in search of the fragments. As soon as a player has found a piece he ceases to search, and all those who have found mosaics commence to patch them together. All those who find

fragments are entitled to draw for the prize—a Christmas book. This makes a most exciting scramble game, since it is not until both pictures are completed that the unsuccessful players give up hope.

When the company does not include children too young to read or write, composing a Christmas story makes a pleasant pastime. The players are given penny blank books and pencils and each is called on to name a word which must be woven into the story each writes. These words everybody puts down. Twenty minutes is allowed in which to think out Christmas stories or incidents and for putting them into words. At the end of the contest the stories are read aloud and voted on. The best is awarded a prize. If any story fails to include all the given words it is not entered in the competition.

The best place to play this game is around a large table which affords room for the different papers, pencils and elbows.

Have for the centerpiece of the supper table at this Christmas party a large cake iced in white, with wreath or artificial holly and a crown of red candles. In the center have a tiny Santa Claus, with or without reindeer, and elbows.

From the cake run scarlet ribbons, terminating in souvenirs at the different covers.

Serve for the refreshment hot oyster soup and crackers, cold sliced tongue and potato or chicken salad, followed by ice cream and cake or a dainty jelly or custard. Then coffee, wafers and cheese.

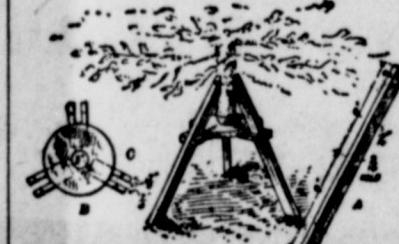
Wrap tiny bonbons in squares of tinfoil and pour a little alcohol over them on a metal tray. Let the guests snatch them from the flames with their fingers.

### FOLDING STAND FOR TREE

One That Can Be Easily Made and Which May Be Kept for Future Use.

The accompanying cut shows a simple way to make a support for a Christmas tree, says the Scientific American. The material should be of hard or tough wood that will not split easily.

Make three pieces like A, of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch strip, also three pieces like C, of



Folding Tree Stand.

$\frac{1}{2}$  x  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch strip, and one piece like B; for this the bottom of a peach basket will do very well. In the center of the disk B bore a 2-inch hole to receive the sharpened base of the tree. Fasten the C pieces to the under side of the disk B with screws. Bore holes in the arms of each C piece to just receive a three-inch wire nail. In the top of each leg, A, as shown, insert a small nail or screw to form a point that will press into the tree. Now place a leg, A, in the slot sawed out of C, and pass a three-inch wire nail through the holes.

When the Christmas tree is taken down the legs may be unhinged and the stand folded and packed away for use next year.

### PRETTY NECKPIECE OF LACE



Girls are busy these days making elaborate neckpieces of lace and satin, or net and ribbon. The one shown in the sketch is made from white figured net attached to a high, boned stock of black satin. The bow in front, and the jabot, are merely pinned on and can be replaced by others.

Christmas Decoration.

A simple Christmas decoration for the dining room is to hang the chandelier with greens and holly and from that carry loosely long ropes of ground pine to each corner of the room, thus making a canopy for the table. A bit of mistletoe skillfully introduced where all will have to pass under it in leaving the room may add to the fun. In the center of the table lay a tray, and on this a glass or copper bowl of holly, frosted as though it had just come from the wintry field. For the favors to be laid down by the place cards there are tiny earthen pots with miniature decorated Christmas trees.

## What Will I Buy for

# CHRISTMAS



Hundreds of satisfactory and appropriate answers to this question are found in our attractive display of

## Holiday Goods

Now is the time to get the BEST and get it to suit. Our assortment is so complete that the widest range for selection is offered

### A Choice Line of

# CHRISTMAS GIFTS

### To Select From

#### Diamond Rings, Plain Rings

#### Cut Glass, Silverware, Watches

#### Set Rings, Cuff Buttons, Scarf

#### Pins, Shaving Sets, Writing Sets

#### Tea Sets, Carving Sets, Souvenir

#### Spoons, Bracelets, Fancy Belt

#### Pins, Secret Order Pins, Beauty

#### Pins, Necklaces, Brooches, Fobs

#### Chains, Clocks of All Kinds

### Beautiful Novelty Silver

### TOILET SETS

In Handsome Cases

### We Can Meet Your Wants

with bright, new goods to please every buyer who is seeking an appropriate Christmas Gift for old or young

Whatever your needs lets us show you that we have Genuine New Attractions for Christmas that will please you

### Remember

That our choice selections for the Holiday Trade are thoroughly up with the most advanced ideas of the season in Variety, Novelty and Good Quality.

### Come and See

# Chas. G. Schlenker

JEWELER AND OPTICIAN

